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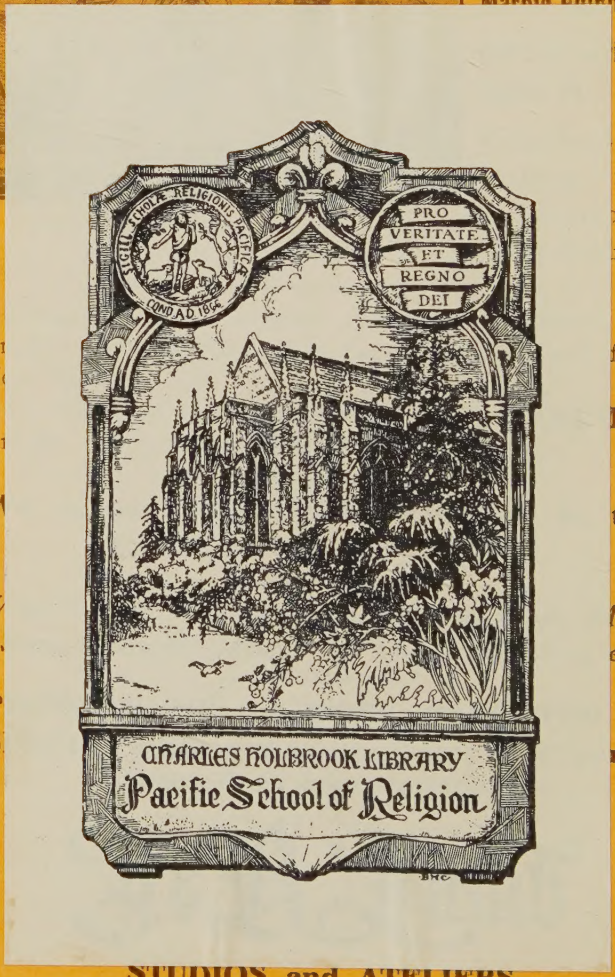

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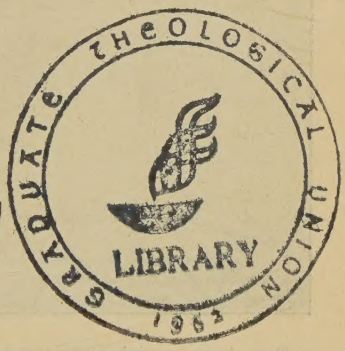

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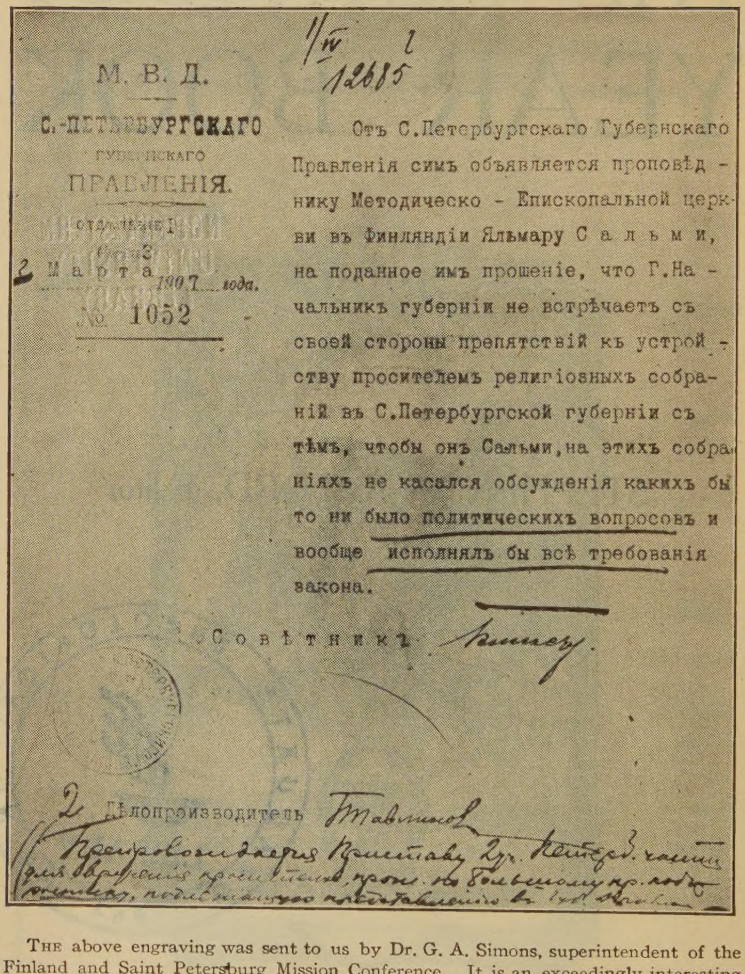

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THE above engraving was sent to us by Dr. G. A. Simons, superintendent of the Finland and Saint Petersburg Mission Conference. It is an exceedingly interesting historic document. Freely translated it reads: "The administration of Saint Petersburg Government hereby informs the preacher, Hjalmar Salmi, of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Finland, that the Governor of the Government does not object on his part, to the holding of meetings by the petitioner in the Government of Saint Petersburg, on condition that he, Salmi, must not discuss *political questions* in these meetings, and in general must *fulfill all demands of the law.*" Rev. Hjalmar Salmi is pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Society in Saint Petersburg, and preaches in Russian, Finnish, and Swedish every Sunday.

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Statistical [1]

Bishops			32
Ministers: On Trial		1,815	
Effective		14,024	
Supernumerary		862	
Superannuated		2,729	19,430
Local Preachers			14,743
Lay Members: Probationers		348,073	
Full Members		3,028,815	3,376,888
Sunday Schools			34.619
Sunday School: Officers and Teachers		361,667	
Scholars		3,068,248	3,429,915
Baptisms: Children		102,002	
Adults		115,693	217,695
Deaths: Ministers		321	
Lay Members		41,818	42,139
Churches			29,765
Parsonages			13,328
Value of Churches	$167,126,733		
Value of Parsonages	28,718,848		$195,845,581
Indebtedness of Churches and Parsonages			13,519,834
Paid for Building and Improving			7,491,427
Paid on Old Indebtedness			2,279,085
Deaconesses: Licensed		953	
On Probation		417	1,370

Official Benevolences [2]

Missions: Foreign: Church		$840,263	
Special Gifts		196,472	$1,036,735
Sunday School (Not divided)			476,142
Home Missions and Church Extension: Church		$613,516	
Special Gifts		40,284	653 800
Woman's Foreign			588,300
Woman's Home: Cash		$345,180	
Supplies		53,605	398,785
			$3,153,762
Education: Freedmen's Aid and Sunday Schools: Church		$150,816	
Sunday Schools		16,851	
Children's Fund		96,536	264,203
Local Educational Interests			252 217
American Bible Society			36,391
Total Official Benevolent Collections, 1908			$3,706,573
Ministerial Support: Pastors, District Superintendents, Bishops		$146,04,393	
Conference Claimants		405,793	15,010,186
Current Expenses: Sexton, Light, Fuel, Sunday School, etc			6,202,339

[1] Returns of eleven Conferences held late in November and in December, and North Carolina Conference, New Mexico Spanish Mission Conference, and Alaska Mission, are taken from 1907. Final official returns in the General Minutes of the Fall Conferences will change the above figures slightly.

[2] Our receipts represent Conference Collections and vary from the receipts reported by the Benevolent Societies for their respective fiscal years. For the latter see the reports of these Societies in Chapter 5.

The Methodist Year Book

I

EDITORIAL NOTES

IN comparing the membership of the Church in 1908 with that of 1907 it should be remembered that two Conferences, the Japan and the South Japan, have been eliminated from the list, thereby entailing a loss of 7,064 members. And this applies as well to the entire range of statistics, Sunday schools and their membership, Churches and their value, etc. The aggregate gains reported for 1908 are plus the records of these two bodies. It is gratifying to reflect, however, that though lost to our denomination the Japan Churches are not lost to Methodism, since they are embraced in the "Nippon Methodist Kyokwai," that is, the Methodist Church of Japan.

AN error in the number of licensed Deaconesses as reported in the last issue of the YEAR BOOK made the total 985, whereas the correct number should have been 942, a difference of 43. This should not be forgotten in considering the figures for 1908, as set forth in this issue of the YEAR BOOK.

DESPITE the prevailing industrial depression the benevolent collections of the Church in 1908 show an aggregate increase of $88,774. The gains in the membership of both the Church and Sunday school, which are above the average for the last quadrennium, and the increase in the material possessions of the Church, are extremely gratifying.

"STUDIES Pertaining to the Ministry" occupies the leading position in this issue of the YEAR BOOK. We have studied the subject from various view-points and are persuaded that there are features of the case that will appeal to our readers whose interest in a subject of such profound importance to Methodism cannot be less intense than is our own. In a conversation with us on this subject during the progress of our "Studies" Bishop McDowell observed, "We need a thousand accessions to our ministerial ranks every year." Peruse

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the "Studies" and the wisdom of his observation will impress you. A net gain of 68 ministers, plus 118 lost to us in Japan in 1908, is not an encouraging sign of the times.

The withdrawals from the ministry under Disciplinary question 18, for the 16 years 1892 to 1907 inclusive, were 981. In the first 8 years the number was 480, out of an average Conference membership of 15,228, or 3.15 per cent. In the second 8 years the number was 501, out of an average Conference membership of 16,754, or 2.99 per cent. This is encouraging.

The table on the "Support of Bishops, Presiding Elders and Pastors" which appeared in the last issue of the Year Book, and which covered the year 1907, was of great practical interest to our people. We had no thought of making it a permanent feature of the Year Book, but so numerous have been the requests for the presentation of the data "year by year continually" that we have determined to do so. By some "hook or crook" one district in the Oregon Conference was left out of the enumeration of Pastors whereby the average payment to Pastors was overstated last year. Further than this in the New York East Conference the average support of Presiding Elders was too small owing to the fact that in at least two districts the "Elderages" are owned by the Conference and should carry in the statistical tables a legitimate rental value. The absence of this item, for which we were not responsible, reduced the average support. Possibly there are other instances of a similar character, though we doubt their existence. Errors annoy us but we are "going on to perfection" with misgivings as to the date of that desirable consummation, striving, meantime, to receive compliments and criticism with equal complacency.

Some of the leading gifts to charity in 1907 are herewith presented.

While the United Hebrew Charities has just closed its doors for lack of funds and all the charity organizations are being swamped with calls for help, statistics compiled by a Chicago newspaper show that in 1907 $120,000,000 was given by philanthropists.

Of that amount $61,737,277 went for universities, higher education and the like. For hospitals and homes and asy-

lums $7,882,500 was given. Art galleries, museums and the like got $22,161,770. Miscellaneous charities got $15,186,300.

About one-fifth of the $120,000,000 given in 1907 was from women. Mrs. Russell Sage leads the women with a total contribution for the year of $13,800,000. Miss Anne T. Jeanes of Philadelphia gave $2,000,000.

Eleven men gave away large sums in 1907. John D. Rockefeller led with $42,315,000, mostly for educational work. H. C. Frick gave away $10,205,000. P. A. B. Widener gave an equal amount, and Andrew Carnegie was next with $8,957,000.

The largest sum given for miscellaneous charities was $10,000,000 from Mrs. Russell Sage. It was for general philanthropical work. In the year Mr. Rockefeller turned over to the University of Chicago land worth $2,000,000. He stands also head among those who gave money for hospital work; he contributed $2,000,000 for the Institute for Medical Research.

THE Diamond Jubilee, 1833–1908, of Methodism in Africa was celebrated with great rejoicing. In Chapter VI of the YEAR BOOK an interesting review of the 75 years of missionary effort in the "Dark Continent" may be found, together with a cut of Wissika Mission, Liberia.

"METHODISM in Europe" is the title of a quarterly magazine published in Rome, Italy, the initial number of which was issued in January, 1908, under the editorial supervision of Rev. N. Walling Clark, D.D., district superintendent of Rome District, Italy Conference. Dr. Clark's Associate Editor is Dr. George A. Simons, superintendent of the Finland and Saint Petersburg Mission Conference; his address is 9th Line 18, W. O., Saint Petersburg, Russia. The publication, authorized by the European Congress of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is devoted to Aggressive Evangelism on the Continent. It sparkles with valuable editorial scintillations and has among its contributors many of the representative ministers and laymen in our European Churches. All honor to the men and women who, under the inspiring leadership of Bishop William Burt, are extending the borders of our beloved Church among the people of Continental Europe.

AN interesting sketch descriptive of the China Centennial

Thankoffering, together with a cut showing the "Evolution in Transportation" in China is given in Chapter VI of this issue of the YEAR BOOK. The statistics presented are likewise interesting, suggestive and prophetic. In addition to this we insert a table showing the "Progress of a Quadrennium" in China.

CONFERENCE Lay Associations originated in the California Conference. In 1908 the Lay Association of that Conference attained its majority and on September 18 held its twenty-first annual session. The occasion was one of great interest. Eight pages of the Conference Minutes are devoted to a report of the proceedings.

THE average amount paid to its 21 ministers by the Arizona Mission in 1908 was $1,141.95. This is a magnificent record. Then too the benevolent collections aggregated $3,544, or an average of $2.32 per member.

THE pronounced growth in Sunday school membership in 1908, both in officers and teachers, and scholars, is extremely gratifying. The actual increase by Conferences is 93,455, but since 10,023 members were transferred to the Japan Methodist Church the net increase is 83,452. This compares with 59,635 increase in 1907 over 1906. For years the growth in Sunday school membership has not kept pace with the growth in Church membership; this year the result is reversed.

THE exhaustive report on the deaconess work of the Church was furnished by Dr. C. Golder, secretary of the General Deaconess Board. Dr. Golder was generously assisted, especially in the gathering and marshaling of the statistics by Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft and Mrs. Lucy Rider Meyer. We are proud of the report.

FEW persons are inclined to explore the arid realm of statistics, but we observe that the results obtained by the man who laboriously marshals the ten little numerical symbols are eagerly sought after and scrutinized by the very people who "hate figures."

II

CALENDARIAL AND ASTRONOMICAL

And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. . . And God called the light Day.—Gen. 1. 3, 5. And God made the two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also.—Gen. 1. 16.

CALENDARIAL

CHURCH DAYS AND MOVABLE FEASTS

Septuagesima Sunday	Feb. 7	Good Friday	April 9
Sexagesima Sunday	Feb. 14	Easter Sunday	April 11
Quinquagesima Sunday	Feb. 21	Low Sunday	April 18
Shrove Tuesday	Feb. 23	Rogation Sunday	May 16
Ash Wednesday (Lent D'y)	Feb. 24	Ascension Thursday	May 20
Quadragesima Sunday	Feb. 28	Whit Sunday (Pentecost)	May 30
Mid-Lent Sunday	March 21	Trinity Sunday	June 6
Palm Sunday	April 4	Corpus Christi	June 10
		Advent Sunday	Nov. 28

CHRONOLOGICAL CYCLES

Dominical Letter, C. Epact (Moon's Age, January 1), 8. Lunar Cycle (Golden Number), 10. Solar Cycle, 14. Roman Indiction, 7. Julian Period, 6622. Dionysian Period, 238. Jewish Lunar Cycle, 7.

CHRONOLOGICAL ERAS

The year 1909, which comprises the latter part of the 133d and the beginning of the 134th year of the independence of the United States of America, corresponds nearly to:

The Mohammedan year 1327, which begins February 4.

The Jewish year 5670, beginning at sunset of September 25.

The Chinese year 4606.

The year 7419–7420 of the Byzantine era, the year 7419 beginning September 1.

The year 2221 of the Grecian era, which began in the 4,402d year of the Julian period.

The year 2569 of the Japanese era.

EMBER DAYS

Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday after—

First Sunday in Lent—March 3, 5, 15.

Pentecost—June 2, 4, 5.

September 14—September 15, 17, 18.

December 13—December 15, 17, 18.

STANDARD TIME

For the convenience of the railroads and business in general a standard of time was established by mutual agreement in 1883, and it is by this method of calculation that trains are now run and local

:: Calendar, 1909 ::

JUNE.	MAY.	APRIL.	MARCH.	FEB'Y.	JAN'Y.	1909.
..	..	..	..	..	..	SUNDAY.
6	2	4	1	..	3	MONDAY.
7	3	5	2	1	4	TUESDAY.
8	4	6	3	2	5	WEDNESDAY.
9	5	7	4	3	6	THURSDAY.
10	6	8	5	4	7	FRIDAY.
11	7	9	6	5	8	SATURDAY.
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DEC'R.	NOV'R.	OCT'R.	SEPT'R.	AUGUST.	JULY.	1909.
..	..	..	..	..	..	SUNDAY.
5	1	..	..	1	4	MONDAY.
6	2	1	..	2	5	TUESDAY.
7	3	2	1	3	6	WEDNESDAY.
8	4	3	2	4	7	THURSDAY.
9	5	4	3	5	8	FRIDAY.
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time is regulated. In accordance with this system the United States, extending from 65° to 125° west longitude, is divided into four time sections, each of 15° of longitude, exactly equivalent to one hour (7° 30′ on each side of a meridian), commencing with the 75th meridian. The first, or Eastern, section includes all territory between the Atlantic Coast and an irregular line drawn from Buffalo, New York, to Charleston, South Carolina, the latter city being its southernmost point. The second, or Central, section includes all the territory between this eastern line and another irregular line extending from Bismarck, North Dakota, to the mouth of the Rio Grande. The third, or Mountain, section includes all the territory between the last-named line and nearly the western borders of Idaho, Utah, and Arizona. The fourth, or Pacific, section includes all the territory of the United States between the boundary of the Mountain section and the Pacific Coast. Inside of each of these sections standard time is uniform, and the time of each section differs from that next to it by exactly one hour.

STANDARD TIME IN PERU

By a decree of the government of Peru, issued by President Pardo, the time of the seventy-fifth meridian west of Greenwich was recently adopted as the national standard time for the whole of Peru. The meridian is only a few minutes from that of Lima, and runs almost exactly through the middle of the country. All timepieces throughout Peru will now coincide with those in the United States, where eastern time is kept. Peru is the first South American republic to adopt the world standard. —*Philadelphia Record.*

ASTRONOMICAL

ECLIPSES, 1909

There will be four eclipses this year, two of the sun and two of the moon, as follows:

I. Total of the moon, June 3, the moon rising with the eclipse on. Only the penumbral phase will be visible on the Pacific coast.

	Total Begin	M'dle	Total Ends	Ends	Cor. for Stan. T.
	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	
Washington	7 50	8 21	8 52	10 06	+ 8m.
New York	8 02	8 33	9 04	10 18	− 4m.
Chicago	7 08	7 39	8 10	9 24	+10m.
Boston	8 14	8 45	9 16	10 30	−16m.
Charleston	7 38	8 09	8 40	9 54	+20m.
New Orleans	6 58	7 29	8 00	9 14	om.
Saint Louis	6 57	7 28	7 59	9 13	+ 1m.

II. Central of the sun, June 17, visible throughout the United States, except in the extreme southwest as a partial eclipse on the sun's northern limb. The sun will set more or less eclipsed east of a line from Brownsville, Tex., through Jefferson City, Mo., to Mackinaw City, Mich. Eclipse begins as follows: New York 7:4. Chicago 6:17. Boston 7:12. Charleston 7:2. New Orleans 6:37. Saint Louis 6:14 P.M.

III. Total of the moon November 26–27, in the morning, visible throughout the United States.

* 26th P.M.	Eclip. Begin	Total Begin	Middle	Total Ends	Eclip. Ends	Cor. for Stan. T
	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	
Washington	2 03	3 06	3 47	4 28	5 30	+ 8m.
New York	2 15	3 18	3 59	4 40	5 42	− 4m.
Chicago	1 21	2 24	3 05	3 46	4 48	−10m.
Boston	2 27	3 30	4 11	4 52	5 54	−16m.
San Francisco	*11 1	0 04	0 45	1 26	2 28	+10m.
Charleston	1 51	2 54	3 35	4 16	5 18	+20m.
New Orleans	1 11	2 14	2 55	3 36	4 38	0m.
Saint Louis	1 10	2 13	2 54	3 35	4 37	+ 1m.

IV. Partial of the sun, December 12, visible in the Antarctic regions only.

MORNING STARS

Mercury, March 3–8 and October 25–31. Venus, until April 28. Mars, until May 13. Jupiter, until September 18. Saturn, from April 3 to July 15.

EVENING STARS

Mercury, April 27 to May 3 and September 20 to 26. Venus, after April 28. Not brightest this year but bright in December. Mars, after May 13. Jupiter, after September 18. Until April 3 after July 15.

PLANETS BRIGHTEST

(See Morning and Evening Stars)

Mercury, April 27 to May 3 and September 20 to 26, as evening star. March 3 to 8 and October 25 to 31 as morning star. Jupiter, February 28. Mars, September 25. Saturn, October 13.

MOORISH SUPERSTITIONS

The following description of the effects of a total solar eclipse upon the inhabitants of Tripoli is interesting:

When the eclipse was at its height the common Moors were seen assembling in clusters in the streets, gazing wildly at the sun and conversing very earnestly. They ran about distracted, in companies, firing volleys of muskets at the sun, to frighten away the monster or dragon, as they called it, by which they supposed it was being devoured. At that moment the Moorish song of death and *walliah-woo*, or the howl they make for the dead, not only resounded from the mountains and valleys of Tripoli but was undoubtedly re-echoed throughout the continent of Africa. The women brought into the streets all the brass pans, kettles and iron utensils they could collect, and striking on them with all their force and screaming at the same time occasioned a horrid noise that could be heard for miles. Many of these women owing to their exertions and fears fell into fits or fainted. The distress and terror did not abate until the sun by his refulgent beams assured them that all danger had passed.

—*Tully's Letters from Tripoli.*

:: January 1909 ::

MOON'S PHASES.	East. Time	Cent. Time	W'st. Time
Full Moon ..... 6D.	9 H. 12 M.	8 H. 12 M.	7 H. 12 M.
Last Quarter....14D.	1 H. 11 M.	0 H. 11 M.	11 H. 11 M.
New Moon..... 21D.	7 H. 12 M.	6 H. 12 M.	5 H. 12 M.
First Quarter....28D.	10 H. 7 M.	9 H. 7 M.	8 H. 7 M.

New-York City, Phil., Conn., New Jersey. Penn., O., Ind., and Ill.				D. OF MONTH.	D. OF WEEK.	Boston, New England, New-York, Mich., Wis. Iowa and Oregon.			
MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.			MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.
Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H. W. N. Y. GOV. I.			Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H. W. Bos'n N.Yd
7 25	4 43	2 26	3 40	1	Fri.	7 30	4 38	2 28	6 45
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7 25	4 45	4 32	5 27	3	S.	7 30	4 40	4 36	8 40
7 25	4 46	5 36	6 15	4	Mo.	7 30	4 41	5 42	9 32
7 25	4 47	6 37	7 1	5	Tu.	7 30	4 42	6 43	10 23
7 25	4 48	rises	7 45	6	We.	7 29	4 43	rises	11 10
7 25	4 49	5 51	8 27	7	Th.	7 29	4 44	5 46	11 54
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7 23	4 55	11 44	Ev. 12	13	We.	7 28	4 51	11 44	4 8
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7 20	5 3	6 14	6 48	20	We.	7 24	4 59	6 20	10 22
7 19	5 4	7 15	7 40	21	Th.	7 24	5 0	7 21	11 12
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7 16	5 9	9 46	11 7	25	Mo.	7 21	5 5	9 45	1 42
7 16	5 10	10 58	morn	26	Tu.	7 20	5 6	10 58	2 32
7 15	5 11	morn	3	27	We.	7 19	5 8	morn	3 27
7 14	5 13	8	1 5	28	Th.	7 18	5 9	10	4 22
7 13	5 14	1 17	2 10	29	Fri.	7 17	5 10	1 20	5 20
7 12	5 15	2 25	3 15	30	Sat.	7 16	5 12	2 29	6 20
7 12	5 16	3 29	4 16	31	S.	7 15	5 13	3 34	7 20

Heavy figures, 12 noon to 12 midnight.

:: February 1909 ::

MOON'S PHASES.	East. Time	Cent. Time	W'st Time
Full Moon..... 5 D.	3 H. 25 M.	2 H. 25 M.	1 H. 25 M.
Last Quarter....13 D.	7 H. 47 M.	6 H. 47 M.	5 H. 47 M.
New Moon.....20 D.	5 H. 52 M.	4 H. 52 M.	3 H. 52 M.
First Quarter...26 D.	9 H. 49 M.	8 H. 49 M.	7 H. 49 M.

New-York City, Phil., Conn. New Jersey, Penn,, O.,Ind.,and Ill.							Boston, New England New-York, Mich., Wis. Iowa and Oregon.					
MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.	D. OF MONTH.	D. OF WEEK.	MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.		
Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H. W N. Y. GOV.I.				Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H.W Bos'n N.Yd
7 11	5 18	4 32	5 12	1	Mo.		7 14	5 14	4 37	8 20
7 10	5 19	5 29	6 4	2	Tu.		7 13	5 15	5 33	9 15
7 9	5 20	6 20	6 50	3	We.		7 12	5 16	6 25	10 6
7 7	5 21	rises	7 32	4	Th.		7 11	5 18	rises	10 52
7 6	5 22	5 40	8 10	5	Fri.		7 10	5 19	5 36	11 35
7 5	5 23	6 40	8 44	6	Sat.		7 9	5 21	6 37	Ev. 15
7 4	5 25	7 39	9 17	7	S.		7 8	5 22	7 37	53
7 3	5 26	8 27	9 46	8	Mo.		7 6	5 23	8 26	1 30
7 2	5 27	9 35	10 15	9	Tu.		7 5	5 24	9 35	2 8
7 1	5 28	10 33	10 47	10	We.		7 4	5 25	10 35	2 47
7 0	5 30	11 34	11 25	11	Th.		7 2	5 26	11 36	3 30
6 58	5 31	morn	Ev 10	12	Fri.		7 1	5 28	morn	4 17
6 57	5 32	37	1 2	13	Sat.		7 0	5 29	40	5 9
6 56	5 34	1 41	2 5	14	S.		6 59	5 30	1 45	6 6
6 55	5 35	2 49	3 20	15	Mo.		6 57	5 32	2 54	7 5
6 53	5 36	3 55	4 39	16	Tu.		6 56	5 33	4 0	8 5
6 52	5 37	4 56	5 43	17	We.		6 54	5 35	5 2	9 4
6 51	5 39	5 52	6 40	18	Th.		6 53	5 36	5 57	10 0
6 49	5 40	6 38	7 30	19	Fri.		6 52	5 38	6 43	10 51
6 48	5 41	sets	8 19	20	Sat.		6 50	5 39	sets	11 41
6 46	5 43	7 23	9 5	21	S.		6 48	5 40	7 21	morn
6 45	5 44	8 39	9 54	22	Mo.		6 47	5 42	8 39	30
6 44	5 45	9 52	10 43	23	Tu.		6 45	5 43	9 53	1 20
6 42	5 46	11 4	11 35	24	We.		6 44	5 45	11 6	2 10
6 41	5 48	morn	morn	25	Th.		6 42	5 46	morn	3 0
6 39	5 49	15	33	26	Fri.		6 41	5 47	19	3 55
6 38	5 50	1 22	1 40	27	Sat.		6 39	5 49	1 27	4 53
6 37	5 51	2 27	2 46	28	S.		6 38	5 50	2 33	5 53

Heavy figures, 12 noon to 12 midnight

March 1909

MOON'S PHASES.	East. Time	Cent. Time	W'st. Time
Full Moon..... 6 D.	9 H. 56 M.	8 H. 56 M.	7 H. 56 M.
Last Quarter....14D.	10 H. 41 M.	9 H. 41 M.	8 H. 41 M.
New Moon..... 21D.	3 H. 11 M.	2 H. 11 M.	1 H. 11 M.
First Quarter ... 28D.	11 H. 48 M.	10 H. 48 M.	9 H. 48 M.

New-York City, Phil., Conn., New Jersey, Penn., O., Ind., and Ill.						Boston, New England, New-York, Mich., Wis., Iowa and Oregon.					
MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.	D. OF MONTH.	D. OF WEEK.	MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.		
Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H W N.Y. GOV.I.			Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H W Bos'n N.Yd		
6 35	5 53	3 25	3 54	1	Mo.	6 36	5 51	3 31	6 55		
6 34	5 53	4 17	4 56	2	Tu.	6 35	5 52	4 23	7 55		
6 32	5 54	5 3	5 48	3	We.	6 33	5 53	5 8	8 54		
6 30	5 55	5 41	6 36	4	Th.	6 31	5 54	5 46	9 45		
6 29	5 56	6 14	7 15	5	Fri.	6 30	5 55	6 17	10 32		
6 27	5 57	rises	7 50	6	Sat.	6 28	5 56	rises	11 13		
6 25	5 58	6 31	8 21	7	S.	6 26	5 57	6 30	11 50		
6 24	5 59	7 29	8 48	8	Mo.	6 25	5 58	7 29	Ev 25		
6 22	6 0	8 27	9 11	9	Tu.	6 23	5 59	8 28	1 1		
6 20	6 1	9 26	9 40	10	We.	6 21	6 0	9 28	1 37		
6 19	6 2	10 28	10 12	11	Th.	6 20	6 2	10 31	2 15		
6 17	6 3	11 32	10 50	12	Fri.	6 18	6 3	11 36	2 57		
6 16	6 4	morn	11 34	13	Sat.	6 16	6 4	morn	3 44		
6 14	6 5	35	Ev. 29	14	S.	6 14	6 5	40	4 37		
6 12	6 6	1 40	1 34	15	Mo.	6 13	6 6	1 46	5 36		
6 11	6 8	2 43	2 54	16	Tu.	6 11	6 7	2 49	6 38		
6 9	6 9	3 39	4 22	17	We.	6 9	6 9	3 44	7 42		
6 7	6 10	4 28	5 30	18	Th.	6 7	6 10	4 33	8 40		
6 6	6 11	5 11	6 24	19	Fri.	6 6	6 11	5 14	9 37		
6 4	6 12	5 47	7 14	20	Sat.	6 4	6 12	5 50	10 28		
6 2	6 13	sets	8 0	21	S.	6 2	6 13	sets	11 18		
6 1	6 14	7 25	8 45	22	Mo.	6 0	6 14	7 26	morn		
5 59	6 15	8 41	9 32	23	Tu.	5 59	6 15	8 43	8		
5 58	6 16	9 56	10 20	24	We.	5 57	6 16	9 59	55		
5 56	6 17	11 8	11 10	25	Th.	5 55	6 17	11 12	1 45		
5 54	6 18	morn	morn	26	Fri.	5 53	6 18	morn	2 35		
5 52	6 19	15	4	27	Sat.	5 52	6 19	20	3 28		
5 51	6 20	1 18	1 5	28	S.	5 50	6 20	1 24	4 24		
5 49	6 21	2 15	2 15	29	Mo.	5 48	6 21	2 20	5 24		
5 47	6 22	3 2	3 27	30	Tu.	5 46	6 22	3 8	6 26		
5 45	6 23	3 43	4 32	31	We.	5 44	6 23	3 48	7 28		

Heavy figures, 12 noon to 12 midnight

April 1909

MOON'S PHASES.	East. Time	Cent. Time	W'st. Time
Full Moon ..... 5 D.	3 H. 28 M.	2 H. 28 M.	1 H. 28 M.
Last Quarter....13 D.	9 H. 30 M.	8 H. 30 M.	7 H. 30 M.
New Moon .....19 D.	11 H. 51 M.	10 H. 51 M.	9 H. 51 M.
First Quarter ...27 D.	3 H. 36 M.	2 H. 36 M.	1 H. 36 M.

New-York City, Phil., Conn., New Jersey. Penn., O., Ind., and Ill. MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.	D. OF MONTH.	D. OF WEEK.	Boston, New England, New-York, Mich., Wis., Iowa and Oregon. MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.
Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H.W N.Y. GOV.I.			Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H.W. Bos'n N.Yd
5 44	6 24	4 17	5 28	1	Th.	5 43	6 25	4 22	8 25
5 42	6 26	4 46	6 13	2	Fri.	5 41	6 27	4 49	9 17
5 41	6 27	5 11	6 52	3	Sat.	5 40	6 28	5 13	10 2
5 39	6 28	5 36	7 23	4	S.	5 38	6 29	5 37	10 44
5 37	6 29	rises	7 53	5	Mo.	5 36	6 30	rises	11 20
5 36	6 30	7 20	8 17	6	Tu.	5 35	6 31	7 21	11 55
5 34	6 31	8 22	8 40	7	We.	5 33	6 32	8 24	Ev 31
5 33	6 32	9 25	9 10	8	Th.	5 31	6 33	9 29	1 8
5 31	6 33	10 30	9 46	9	Fri.	5 30	6 34	10 34	1 49
5 30	6 34	11 32	10 27	10	Sat.	5 28	6 36	11 38	2 32
5 28	6 35	morn	11 15	11	S.	5 26	6 37	morn	3 21
5 26	6 36	35	Ev 10	12	Mo.	5 25	6 38	41	4 16
5 25	6 37	1 33	1 17	13	Tu.	5 23	6 39	1 39	5 15
5 24	6 38	2 22	2 40	14	We.	5 21	6 40	2 28	6 16
5 22	6 39	3 6	4 4	15	Th.	5 20	6 41	3 10	7 18
5 20	6 40	3 43	5 10	16	Fri.	5 18	6 42	3 47	8 18
5 19	6 41	4 16	6 3	17	Sat.	5 16	6 43	4 18	9 13
5 17	6 42	4 45	6 53	18	S.	5 15	6 45	4 46	10 5
5 16	6 43	5 16	7 40	19	Mo.	5 13	6 46	5 15	10 55
5 14	6 44	sets	8 25	20	Tu.	5 12	6 47	sets	11 45
5 13	6 45	8 44	9 10	21	We.	5 10	6 48	8 48	morn
5 11	6 46	9 57	9 57	22	Th.	5 9	6 49	10 2	32
5 10	6 47	11 6	10 45	23	Fri.	5 7	6 50	11 11	1 20
5 8	6 48	morn	11 37	24	Sat.	5 6	6 51	morn	2 10
5 7	6 49	5	morn	25	S.	5 4	6 52	11	3 3
5 6	6 50	56	35	26	Mo.	5 3	6 53	1 2	3 57
5 4	6 51	1 43	1 39	27	Tu.	5 1	6 55	1 48	4 55
5 3	6 52	2 34	2 47	28	We.	5 0	6 56	2 38	5 53
5 2	6 53	2 50	3 54	29	Th.	4 58	6 57	2 54	6 52
5 0	6 55	3 16	4 50	30	Fri.	4 57	6 58	3 19	7 49

Heavy figures, 12 noon to 12 midnight

May 1909

MOON'S PHASES.	East. Time	Cent. Time	W'st. Time
Full Moon ..... 5D.	7H. 7M.	6H. 7M.	5H. 7M.
Last Quarter....12D.	4H. 45M.	3H. 45M.	2H. 45M.
New Moon.....19D.	8H. 42M.	7H. 42M.	6H. 42M.
First Quarter... 26D.	9H. 28M.	8H. 28M.	7H. 28M.

New-York City, Phil., Conn., New Jersey. Penn. O., Ind., and Ill.

MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.	D. OF MONTH.	D. OF WEEK.
Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H.W N.Y. GOV.I.		
4 59	6 56	3 40	5 37	1	Sat.
4 58	6 57	4 2	6 16	2	S.
4 56	6 58	4 24	6 49	3	Mo.
4 55	6 59	4 48	7 12	4	Tu.
4 54	7 0	rises	7 45	5	We.
4 53	7 1	8 11	8 15	6	Th.
4 52	7 2	9 27	8 47	7	Fri.
4 51	7 3	10 31	9 28	8	Sat.
4 49	7 4	11 29	10 12	9	S.
4 48	7 5	morn	11 3	10	Mo.
4 47	7 6	22	Ev. 0	11	Tu.
4 46	7 7	1 5	1 10	12	We.
4 45	7 8	1 44	2 28	13	Th.
4 44	7 9	2 16	3 42	14	Fri.
4 43	7 10	2 46	4 45	15	Sat.
4 42	7 11	3 14	5 39	16	S.
4 41	7 12	3 42	6 30	17	Mo.
4 40	7 13	4 14	7 18	18	Tu.
4 39	7 14	sets	8 4	19	We.
4 39	7 15	8 43	8 50	20	Th.
4 38	7 16	9 49	9 37	21	Fri.
4 37	7 17	10 47	10 23	22	Sat.
4 36	7 18	11 35	11 12	23	S.
4 36	7 19	morn	morn	24	Mo.
4 35	7 20	18	2	25	Tu.
4 34	7 20	51	● 59	26	We.
4 34	7 21	1 19	2 0	27	Th.
4 33	7 22	1 44	3 0	28	Fri.
4 32	7 23	2 5	3 55	29	Sat.
4 32	7 23	2 30	4 45	30	S.
4 31	7 24	2 51	5 25	31	Mo.

Boston, New England, New-York, Mich., Wis. Icwa and Oregon.

MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.
Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H.W Bos'n N.Yd
4 56	7 0	3 41	8 39
4 54	7 1	4 3	9 25
4 53	7 2	4 24	10 18
4 52	7 3	4 46	10 47
4 51	7 4	rises	11 25
4 49	7 5	8 15	Ev 4
4 48	7 6	9 32	43
4 47	7 7	10 37	1 26
4 46	7 8	11 35	2 12
4 44	7 9	morn	3 2
4 43	7 10	27	3 57
4 42	7 11	1 10	4 57
4 41	7 12	1 47	5 58
4 40	7 13	2 19	6 56
4 39	7 14	2 47	7 55
4 38	7 15	3 14	8 50
4 37	7 16	3 40	9 41
4 36	7 17	4 12	10 32
4 35	7 18	sets	11 20
4 34	7 19	8 48	morn.
4 33	7 20	9 55	10
4 32	7 21	10 53	1 0
4 31	7 22	11 41	1 48
4 31	7 23	morn	2 37
4 30	7 24	23	3 29
4 29	7 25	55	4 22
4 29	7 26	1 22	5 17
4 28	7 27	1 46	6 11
4 27	7 28	2 6	7 4
4 27	7 28	2 30	7 54
4 26	7 29	2 50	8 43

Heavy figures, 12 noon to 12 midnight

June 1909

MOON'S PHASES.	East. Time	Cent. Time	W'st. Time
Full Moon..... 3D.	8 H. 24 M.	7 H. 24 M.	6 H. 24 M.
Last Quarter....10D.	9 H. 42 M.	8 H. 42 M.	7 H. 42 M.
New Moon..... 17D.	6 H. 28 M.	5 H. 28 M.	4 H. 28 M.
First Quarter... 25D.	1 H. 43 M.	0 H. 43 M.	11 H. 43 M.

New-York City, Phil., Conn., New Jersey, Penn., O., Ind., and Ill.						Boston, New England, New-York, Mich., Wis., Iowa and Oregon.			
MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.	D. OF MONTH.	D. OF WEEK.	MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.
Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H.W. N.Y. GOV.I.			Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H.W. Bos'n N.Yd
4 31	7 24	3 15	6 2	1	Tu.	4 25	7 30	3 13	9 27
4 30	7 25	3 42	6 31	2	We.	4 25	7 30	3 39	10 10
4 30	7 26	rises	7 12	3	Th.	4 25	7 31	rises	10 53
4 30	7 26	8 21	7 51	4	Fri.	4 24	7 32	8 26	11 37
4 29	7 27	9 25	8 35	5	Sat.	4 24	7 32	9 31	Ev 20
4 29	7 28	10 18	9 17	6	S.	4 24	7 33	10 24	1 6
4 29	7 28	11 7	10 6	7	Mo.	4 23	7 33	11 12	1 55
4 29	7 29	11 47	11 0	8	Tu.	4 23	7 34	11 51	2 46
4 28	7 30	morn	11 58	9	We.	4 23	7 35	morn	3 40
4 28	7 30	19	1 1	10	Th.	4 23	7 36	22	4 37
4 28	7 31	51	2 10	11	Fri.	4 22	7 36	52	5 36
4 28	7 31	1 17	3 17	12	Sat.	4 22	7 37	1 17	6 35
4 28	7 32	1 46	4 18	13	S.	4 22	7 37	1 45	7 32
4 28	7 32	2 13	5 15	14	Mo.	4 22	7 38	2 11	8 28
4 28	7 32	2 44	6 7	15	Tu.	4 22	7 38	2 40	9 22
4 28	7 33	3 20	6 58	16	We.	4 22	7 38	3 16	10 13
4 28	7 33	4 3	7 45	17	Th.	4 22	7 39	3 57	11 3
4 28	7 33	sets	8 33	18	Fri.	4 22	7 39	sets	11 52
4 28	7 34	9 26	9 19	19	Sat.	4 22	7 39	9 32	morn
4 29	7 34	10 12	10 5	20	S.	4 23	7 40	10 17	38
4 29	7 34	10 49	10 48	21	Mo.	4 23	7 40	10 53	1 25
4 29	7 34	11 20	11 32	22	Tu.	4 23	7 40	11 24	2 12
4 29	7 34	11 47	morn	23	We.	4 23	7 40	11 49	3 0
4 29	7 34	morn	14	24	Th.	4 23	7 40	morn	3 47
4 30	7 35	9	58	25	Fri.	4 24	7 41	10	4 37
4 30	7 35	32	1 42	26	Sat.	4 24	7 41	32	5 26
4 30	7 35	54	2 29	27	S.	4 24	7 41	53	6 15
4 31	7 35	1 17	3 20	28	Mo.	4 25	7 40	1 15	7 7
4 31	7 35	1 41	4 15	29	Tu.	4 25	7 40	1 38	7 58
4 32	7 35	2 12	5 5	30	We.	4 26	7 40	2 8	8 48

Heavy figures, 12 noon to 12 midnight

July 1909

MOON'S PHASES.	East. Time	Cent. Time	W'st. Time
Full Moon..... 3 D.	7 H. 17 M.	6 H. 17 M.	5 H. 17 M.
Last Quarter....10 D.	1 H. 58 M.	0 H. 58 M.	11 H. 58(9)
New Moon .....17 D.	5 H. 44 M.	4 H. 44 M.	3 H. 44 M.
First Quarter....25 D.	6 H. 45 M.	5 H. 45 M.	4 H. 45 M.

New-York City, Phil., Conn., New Jersey, Penn., O., Ind., and Ill.					D. OF MONTH.	D. OF WEEK.	Boston, New England, New-York, Mich, Wis., Iowa and Oregon.			
MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.				MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.
Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H.W. N. Y. GOV. I.				Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon sets	H.W. Bos'n N. Yd
4 32	7 35	2 47	5	54	1	Th.	4 26	7 40	2 42	9 37
4 32	7 35	3 30	6	47	2	Fri.	4 26	7 40	3 24	10 25
4 33	7 34	rises	7	33	3	Sat.	4 27	7 40	rises	11 12
4 33	7 34	9 6	8	22	4	S.	4 28	7 40	9 12	12 0
4 34	7 34	9 45	9	12	5	Mo.	4 29	7 39	9 49	Ev 47
4 35	7 34	10 21	10	2	6	Tu.	4 29	7 39	10 25	1 36
4 35	7 33	10 53	10	55	7	We.	4 30	7 39	10 55	2 28
4 36	7 33	11 21	11	55	8	Th.	4 30	7 38	11 22	3 21
4 37	7 33	11 49	Ev	48	9	Fri.	4 31	7 38	11 48	4 16
4 37	7 32	morn	1	49	10	Sat.	4 32	7 38	morn	5 13
4 38	7 32	16	2	52	11	S.	4 33	7 37	14	6 11
4 39	7 31	46	3	53	12	Mo.	4 33	7 37	43	7 10
4 39	7 31	1 20	4	53	13	Tu.	4 34	7 36	1 15	8 7
4 40	7 30	1 58	5	48	14	We.	4 35	7 36	1 53	9 3
4 41	7 30	2 45	6	41	15	Th.	4 36	7 35	2 39	9 56
4 42	7 29	3 36	7	30	16	Fri.	4 37	7 34	3 30	10 47
4 43	7 29	sets	8	16	17	Sat.	4 37	7 34	sets	11 34
4 44	7 28	8 47	9	0	18	S.	4 38	7 33	8 51	morn
4 44	7 27	9 20	9	42	19	Mo.	4 39	7 32	9 23	19
4 45	7 26	9 47	10	22	20	Tu.	4 40	7 31	9 50	1 3
4 46	7 26	10 12	10	59	21	We.	4 41	7 30	10 14	1 45
4 47	7 25	10 34	11	31	22	Th.	4 42	7 30	10 35	2 28
4 48	7 24	10 56	morn		23	Fri.	4 43	7 29	10 56	3 10
4 48	7 23	11 20	3		24	Sat.	4 44	7 28	11 18	3 55
4 49	7 23	11 42	38		25	S.	4 45	7 27	11 39	4 41
4 50	7 22	morn	1	22	26	Mo.	4 46	7 26	morn	5 31
4 51	7 21	9	2	13	27	Tu.	4 47	7 25	6	6 23
4 52	7 20	42	3	13	28	We.	4 48	7 24	37	7 16
4 53	7 19	1 19	4	19	29	Th.	4 49	7 23	1 14	8 12
4 54	7 18	2 8	5	24	30	Fri.	4 50	7 22	2 2	9 6
4 55	7 17	3 7	6	24	31	Sat.	4 51	7 21	3 1	9 58

Heavy figures, 12 noon to 12 midnight

:: August 1909 ::

MOON'S PHASES.	East. Time	Cent. Time	W'st. Time
Full Moon. ..... 1 D.	4 H. 14 M.	3 H. 14 M.	2 H. 14 M.
Last Quarter.... 8D.	7 H. 10 M.	6 H. 10 M.	5 H. 10 M.
New Moon.....15 D.	6 H. 54 M.	5 H. 54 M.	4 H. 54 M.
First Quarter...23 D.	10 H. 55 M.	9 H. 55 M.	8 H. 55 M.
Full Moon.....30 D.	12 H. 8 M.	11 H. 8 M.	10 H. 8 M.

New-York City, Phil., Conn., New Jersey, Penn., O., Ind., and Ill.					D. OF MONTH.	D OF WEEK.	Boston, New England, New-York, Mich., Wis. Iowa and Oregon.			
MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.				MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.
Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon rises	H.W. N.Y. GOV.I.				Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon rises	H.W. Bos'n N. Yd
4 56	7 16	.....	7 20		1	S.	4 52	7 20	.....	10 49
4 57	7 14	8 19	8 11		2	Mo.	4 53	7 18	8 23	11 38
4 58	7 13	8 54	9 0		3	Tu.	4 54	7 17	8 57	Ev 26
4 59	7 12	9 23	9 50		4	We.	4 55	7 16	9 24	1 15
5 0	7 11	9 52	10 40		5	Th.	4 56	7 15	9 52	2 5
5 1	7 10	10 19	11 34		6	Fri.	4 57	7 14	10 18	2 57
5 2	7 9	10 47	Ev 27		7	Sat.	4 58	7 12	10 45	3 52
5 3	7 7	11 20	1 26		8	S.	4 59	7 11	11 16	4 49
5 4	7 6	11 57	2 28		9	Mo.	5 0	7 10	11 52	5 47
5 5	7 5	morn	3 32		10	Tu.	5 1	7 8	morn	6 48
5 6	7 4	41	4 35		11	We.	5 2	7 7	36	7 48
5 7	7 2	1 30	5 33		12	Th.	5 3	7 6	1 24	8 46
5 8	7 1	2 28	6 26		13	Fri.	5 4	7 4	2 22	9 40
5 9	7 0	3 27	7 15		14	Sat.	5 5	7 3	3 21	10 30
5 10	6 58	4 29	7 58		15	S.	5 6	7 1	4 25	11 16
5 11	6 57	sets	8 38		16	Mo.	5 7	7 0	sets	11 58
5 12	6 55	8 15	9 16		17	Tu.	5 8	6 58	8 16	morn
5 13	6 54	8 37	9 50		18	We.	5 10	6 57	8 38	38
5 14	6 53	8 59	10 18		19	Th.	5 11	6 55	8 59	1 17
5 15	6 51	9 22	10 48		20	Fri.	5 12	6 54	9 20	1 55
5 16	6 50	9 45	11 18		21	Sat.	5 13	6 52	9 43	2 34
5 17	6 48	10 10	11 55		22	S.	5 14	6 51	10 7	3 15
5 17	6 47	10 39	morn		23	Mo.	5 15	6 49	10 34	4 0
5 18	6 45	11 14	40		24	Tu.	5 16	6 48	11 9	4 50
5 19	6 44	11 57	1 35		25	We.	5 17	6 46	11 51	5 44
5 20	6 42	morn	2 38		26	Th.	5 18	6 44	morn	6 42
5 21	6 41	48	3 52		27	Fri.	5 19	6 43	42	7 41
5 22	6 39	1 52	5 3		28	Sat.	5 20	6 41	1 46	8 38
5 23	6 37	3 4	6 6		29	S.	5 21	6 39	2 59	9 33
5 24	6 36	rises	7 1		30	Mo.	5 22	6 38	rises	10 25
5 25	6 34	7 22	7 53		31	Tu.	5 23	6 36	7 24	11 14

Heavy figures, 12 noon to 12 midnight

:: September 1909 ::

MOON'S PHASES.	East. Time	Cent. Time	W'st Time
Last Quarter.... 6 D.	2 H. 44 M.	1 H. 44 M.	0 H. 44 M.
New Moon.....14 D.	10 H. 8 M.	9 H. 8 M.	8 H. 8 M.
First Quarter...22 D.	1 H. 31 M.	0 H. 31 M.	11 H. 31 M.
Full Moon. .....29 D.	8 H. 5 M.	7 H. 5 M.	6 H. 5 M.

New-York City, Phil., Conn., New Jersey, Penn., O., Ind., and Ill.					D. OF MONTH.	D. OF WEEK.	Boston New England, New-York, Mich., Wis., Iowa and Oregon.			
MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.				MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.
Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon rises	H.W. N. Y. GOV.I.				Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon rises	H.W. Bos'n N.Yd
5 26	6 33	7 52	8 41		1	We.	5 24	6 35	7 52	Ev 3
5 27	6 31	8 20	9 30		2	Th.	5 26	6 33	8 19	51
5 28	6 29	8 50	10 20		3	Fri.	5 27	6 31	8 48	1 40
5 29	6 28	9 21	11 10		4	Sat.	5 28	6 29	9 18	2 32
5 30	6 26	9 57	Ev 5		5	S.	5 29	6 28	9 52	3 26
5 31	6 25	10 40	1 5		6	Mo.	5 30	6 26	10 35	4 23
5 32	6 23	11 26	2 8		7	Tu.	5 31	6 24	11 20	5 23
5 33	6 21	morn	3 15		8	We.	5 32	6 22	morn	6 26
5 34	6 20	21	4 20		9	Th.	5 33	6 21	15	7 29
5 35	6 18	1 19	5 13		10	Fri.	5 34	6 19	1 14	8 28
5 36	6 16	2 20	6 10		11	Sat.	5 35	6 17	2 15	9 23
5 37	6 15	3 21	6 55		12	S.	5 36	6 15	3 18	10 12
5 38	6 13	4 23	7 35		13	Mo.	5 37	6 14	4 20	10 55
5 39	6 11	sets	8 11		14	Tu.	5 38	6 12	sets	11 35
5 40	6 9	6 58	8 43		15	We.	5 39	6 10	6 59	morn
5 41	6 8	7 26	9 11		16	Th.	5 40	6 8	7 25	11
5 42	6 6	7 48	9 35		17	Fri.	5 41	6 7	7 46	47
5 43	6 4	8 12	10 5		18	Sat.	5 43	6 5	8 9	1 22
5 44	6 3	8 38	10 41		19	S.	5 44	6 3	8 34	2 0
5 45	6 1	9 12	11 21		20	Mo.	5 45	6 1	9 7	2 40
5 46	5 59	9 49	morn		21	Tu.	5 46	6 0	9 43	3 26
5 47	5 58	10 36	12		22	We.	5 47	5 58	10 30	4 16
5 48	5 56	11 32	1 10		23	Th.	5 48	5 56	11 26	5 13
5 49	5 55	morn	2 20		24	Fri.	5 49	5 54	morn	6 13
5 50	5 53	39	3 36		25	Sat.	5 50	5 53	34	7 15
5 51	5 52	1 52	4 47		26	S.	5 51	5 51	1 48	8 14
5 52	5 50	3 9	5 48		27	Mo.	5 52	5 49	3 6	9 9
5 53	5 48	4 26	6 40		28	Tu.	5 53	5 47	4 24	10 0
5 54	5 46	rises	7 30		29	We.	5 54	5 46	rises	10 50
5 55	5 44	6 46	8 17		30	Th.	5 56	5 44	6 45	11 40

Heavy figures, 12 noon to 12 midnight

:: October 1909 ::

MOON'S PHASES.	East. Time	Cent. Time	W'st Time
Last Quarter .... 6D.	1 H. 44 M.	0 H. 44 M.	11 H. 44(5)
New Moon ..... 14 D.	3 H. 13 M.	2 H. 13 M.	1 H. 13 M.
First Quarter .... 22D.	2 H. 3 M.	1 H. 3 M.	0 H. 3 M.
Full Moon..... 28 D.	5 H. 7 M.	4 H. 7 M.	3 H. 7 M.

New-York City, Phil., Conn., New Jersey. Penn., O., Ind., and Ill.					D. OF MONTH.	D. OF WEEK.	Boston, New England, New-York, Mich., Wis., Iowa and Oregon.			
MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.				MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.
Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon rises	H. W. N. Y. GOV. I.				Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon rises	H. W. Bos'n N. Yd
5 56	5 43	7 17	9 6		1	Fri.	5 57	5 42	7 14	Ev 28
5 57	5 41	7 53	9 55		2	Sat.	5 58	5 40	7 49	1 17
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5 58	5 39	8 34	10 46		3	S.	5 59	5 39	8 29	2 7
5 59	5 38	9 22	11 42		4	Mo.	6 0	5 37	9 16	3 1
6 0	5 36	10 15	Ev 41		5	Tu.	6 1	5 35	10 8	3 57
6 1	5 35	11 13	1 48		6	We.	6 2	5 33	11 7	4 58
6 2	5 33	morn	2 56		7	Th.	6 3	5 32	morn	6 1
6 3	5 31	14	4 2		8	Fri.	6 4	5 30	9	7 5
6 4	5 30	1 15	4 57		9	Sat.	6 6	5 28	1 10	8 5
6 5	5 28	2 16	5 46		10	S.	6 7	5 27	2 13	9 0
6 7	5 27	3 16	6 30		11	Mo.	6 8	5 25	3 14	9 47
6 8	5 25	4 15	7 5		12	Tu.	6 9	5 23	4 13	10 30
6 9	5 23	5 14	7 38		13	We.	6 10	5 22	5 14	11 7
6 10	5 22	sets	8 5		14	Th.	6 11	5 20	sets	11 42
6 11	5 20	6 16	8 28		15	Fri.	6 13	5 19	6 14	morn
6 12	5 19	6 42	8 56		16	Sat.	6 14	5 17	6 38	17
6 13	5 17	7 11	9 30		17	S.	6 15	5 15	7 7	53
6 14	5 16	7 47	10 11		18	Mo.	6 16	5 14	7 41	1 31
6 15	5 14	8 30	10 58		19	Tu.	6 17	5 12	8 24	2 12
6 16	5 13	9 24	11 51		20	We.	6 18	5 11	9 17	2 58
6 18	5 12	10 25	morn		21	Th.	6 20	5 9	10 19	3 50
6 19	5 10	11 32	57		22	Fri.	6 21	5 8	11 26	4 48
6 20	5 9	morn	2 10		23	Sat.	6 22	5 6	morn	5 50
6 21	5 7	45	3 27		24	S.	6 23	5 5	41	6 50
6 22	5 6	1 59	4 31		25	Mo.	6 24	5 3	1 57	7 49
6 23	5 4	3 16	5 26		26	Tu.	6 26	5 2	3 15	8 45
6 24	5 3	4 31	6 17		27	We.	6 27	5 1	4 31	9 37
6 26	5 2	rises	7 5		28	Th.	6 28	4 59	rises	10 28
6 27	5 1	5 46	7 54		29	Fri.	6 29	4 57	5 43	11 17
6 28	4 59	6 25	8 42		30	Sat.	6 31	4 57	6 20	Ev 5
6 29	4 58	7 11	9 32		31	S.	6 32	4 55	7 5	54

Heavy figures, 12 noon to 12 midnight

November 1909

MOON'S PHASES.	East. Time	Cent. Time	W'st Time
Last Quarter ... 4 D.	4 H. 37 M.	3 H. 37 M.	2 H. 37 M.
New Moon.....12 D.	9 H. 18 M.	8 H. 18 M.	7 H. 18 M.
First Quarter ...20 D.	0 H. 29 M.	11 H. 29 M.	10 H. 29 M.
Full Moon .....27 D.	3 H. 52 M.	2 H. 52 M.	1 H. 52 M.

New-York City, Phil., Conn., New Jersey, Penn., O., Ind., and Ill.						Boston, New England, New York, Mich., Wis, Iowa and Oregon.					
MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.	D. OF MONTH.	D. OF WEEK.	MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.
Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon rises	H.W. N. Y. GOV.I.			Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon rises	H.W. Bos'n N.Yd
6 30	4 57	8 4	10 22	1	Mo.	6 33	4 54	7 57	1 45
6 31	4 56	9 1	11 18	2	Tu.	6 34	4 53	8 55	2 37
6 32	4 54	10 3	Ev 17	3	We.	6 36	4 51	9 57	3 32
6 34	4 53	11 4	1 24	4	Th.	6 37	4 50	11 0	4 30
6 35	4 52	morn	2 32	5	Fri.	6 38	4 49	morn	5 31
6 36	4 51	7	3 33	6	Sat.	6 39	4 48	3	6 32
6 37	4 50	1 8	4 28	7	S.	6 41	4 47	1 5	7 33
6 38	4 49	2 8	5 17	8	Mo.	6 42	4 45	2 6	8 26
6 40	4 48	3 6	5 56	9	Tu.	6 43	4 44	3 5	9 13
6 41	4 47	4 5	6 31	10	We.	6 44	4 43	4 6	9 55
6 42	4 46	5 2	7 0	11	Th.	6 46	4 42	5 4	10 35
6 43	4 45	6 5	7 25	12	Fri.	6 47	4 41	6 8	11 11
6 44	4 44	sets	7 52	13	Sat.	6 48	4 40	sets	11 48
6 46	4 43	5 47	8 25	14	S.	6 49	4 39	5 42	morn
6 47	4 42	6 29	9 5	15	Mo.	6 51	4 39	6 23	26
6 48	4 41	7 18	9 50	16	Tu.	6 52	4 38	7 12	1 6
6 49	4 40	8 16	10 40	17	We.	6 53	4 37	8 10	1 50
6 50	4 39	9 22	11 40	18	Th.	6 54	4 36	9 17	2 37
6 51	4 39	10 31	morn	19	Fri.	6 56	4 35	10 27	3 30
6 53	4 38	11 44	47	20	Sat.	6 57	4 34	11 40	4 27
6 54	4 38	morn	2 0	21	S.	6 58	4 34	morn	5 26
6 55	4 37	56	3 9	22	Mo.	6 59	4 33	54	6 26
6 56	4 36	2 8	4 10	23	Tu.	7 0	4 32	2 7	7 25
6 57	4 36	3 21	5 5	24	We.	7 2	4 32	3 22	8 20
6 58	4 35	4 37	5 55	25	Th.	7 3	4 31	4 39	9 14
6 59	4 35	5 53	6 45	26	Fri.	7 4	4 31	5 57	10 5
7 0	4 35	rises	7 38	27	Sat.	7 5	4 30	rises	10 55
7 2	4 34	5 48	8 20	28	S.	7 6	4 30	5 42	11 45
7 3	4 34	6 46	9 10	29	Mo.	7 7	4 30	6 39	Ev 34
7 4	4 34	7 46	10 0	30	Tu.	7 8	4 29	7 40	1 23

Heavy figures, 12 noon to 12 midnight

:: December 1909 ::

MOON'S PHASES.	East. Time	Cent. Time	W'st Time
Last Quarter ... 4 D.	11 H. 12 M.	10 H. 12 M.	9 H. 12 M.
New Moon.....12 D.	2 H. 58 M.	1 H. 58 M.	0 H. 58 M.
First Quarter...19 D.	9 H. 17 M.	8 H. 17 M.	7 H. 17 M.
Full Moon. .....26 D.	4 H. 30 M.	3 H. 30 M.	2 H. 30 M.

New-York City, Phil., Conn., New Jersey, Penn., O., Ind., and Ill.						Boston, New England, New-York, Mich., Wis., Iowa and Oregon.					
MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.	D. OF MONTH.	D. OF WEEK.	MEAN TIME.			Stan. Time.		
Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon rises	H. W. N. Y. GOV. I.			Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon rises	H. W. Bos'n N.Yd		
7 5	4 34	8 50	10 52	1	We.	7 10	4 29	8 45	2 24		
7 6	4 33	9 55	11 52	2	Th.	7 11	4 29	9 50	3 6		
7 7	4 33	10 56	Ev 50	3	Fri.	7 12	4 28	10 53	4 0		
7 8	4 33	11 56	1 50	4	Sat.	7 13	4 28	11 54	4 57		
7 9	4 32	morn	2 53	5	S.	7 14	4 28	morn	5 54		
7 10	4 32	57	3 47	6	Mo.	7 15	4 28	56	6 50		
7 11	4 32	1 54	4 35	7	Tu.	7 16	4 28	1 55	7 42		
7 12	4 32	2 53	5 15	8	We.	7 17	4 28	2 55	8 32		
7 13	4 32	3 53	5 52	9	Th.	7 17	4 28	3 56	9 16		
7 14	4 32	4 55	6 20	10	Fri.	7 18	4 28	4 59	10 0		
7 15	4 32	5 59	6 50	11	Sat.	7 19	4 28	6 3	10 40		
7 15	4 32	7 2	7 25	12	S.	7 20	4 28	7 8	11 21		
7 16	4 33	sets	8 5	13	Mo.	7 21	4 28	sets	morn		
7 16	4 33	6 10	8 48	14	Tu.	7 22	4 28	6 4	1		
7 17	4 33	7 16	9 37	15	We.	7 22	4 29	7 11	45		
7 18	4 33	8 23	10 29	16	Th.	7 23	4 29	8 19	1 30		
7 18	4 33	9 35	11 28	17	Fri.	7 24	4 29	9 31	2 19		
7 19	4 34	10 46	morn	18	Sat.	7 24	4 29	10 43	3 10		
7 20	4 34	11 58	33	19	S.	7 25	4 30	11 57	4 5		
7 20	4 35	morn	1 40	20	Mo.	7 26	4 30	morn	5 1		
7 21	4 35	1 7	2 46	21	Tu.	7 26	4 31	1 8	6 1		
7 21	4 36	2 20	3 48	22	We.	7 26	4 31	2 22	7 0		
7 22	4 37	3 34	4 45	23	Th.	7 27	4 32	3 37	7 58		
7 22	4 37	4 47	5 37	24	Fri.	7 27	4 32	4 51	8 54		
7 23	4 38	6 1	6 28	25	Sat.	7 28	4 33	6 6	9 47		
7 23	4 39	rises	7 11	26	S.	7 28	4 33	rises	10 38		
7 23	4 39	5 26	8 5	27	Mo.	7 28	4 34	5 23	11 28		
7 23	4 40	6 31	8 53	28	Tu.	7 29	4 35	6 26	Ev 17		
7 24	4 40	7 38	9 40	29	We.	7 29	4 36	7 34	1 4		
7 24	4 41	8 42	10 30	30	Th.	7 29	4 37	8 39	1 52		
7 24	4 42	9 45	11 17	31	Fri.	7 30	4 37	9 43	2 40		

Heavy figures, 12 noon to 12 midnight

III

THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces.—Psa. 122. 7

MEMBERSHIP IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

THE growth of membership year by year, and for the first eight years of the twentieth century, is indicated by the following data. The membership of Conferences held late in November and in December is based on the official figures for 1907:

December 31	Probationers	Full Members	Total Membership	Increase	Per cent of gain
1900	277,402	2,651,481	2,923,883	.....	....
1901	273,235	2,678,999	2,952,234	23,351	0.080
1902	286,620	2,713,675	3,000,295	48,061	1.628
1903	284,498	2,747,420	3,031,918	31,623	1.054
1904	288,532	2,781,589	3,070,121	38,203	1.260
1905	315,393	2,832,899	3,148,292	78,171	2.541
1906	331,361	2,903,163	3,234,524	86,232	2.739
1907	346,801	2,960,474	3,307,275	72,751	2.249
1908	348,073	3,028,815	3,376,888	69,613	2.105

Increase: 1908 over 1900, 448,005
1908 over 1907, 69,613

The per cent. of increase in probationers 1908 over 1900 is 21.9 and of full members 14.2.

CHURCHES AND PARSONAGES

The increase in churches and parsonages, the value and indebtedness of the same in 1908 over 1900, that is, for the first eight years of the twentieth century, is shown in the following table, the records for 1907 being used for Conferences held late in November and in December:

December 31	Churches	Value	Parsonages	Value	Combined Value	Indebtedness	Net Value
1900	27,294	$118,109,397	11,189	$18,855,263	$136,964,660	$11,893,345	$125,071,315
1901	27,569	120,646,701	11,467	19,608,461	140,255,162	11,373,019	128,882,143
1902	27,920	126,252,134	12,063	20,561,103	146,813,237	11,053,133	135,760,104
1903	28,207	131,350,450	12,084	21,578,412	152,928,862	11,034,073	141,894,789
1904	28,439	136,474,129	12,318	22,300,271	158,774,400	10,387,285	146,887,115
1905	28,753	141,069,017	12,487	23,919,386	165,588,403	11,301,440	154,286,963
1906	29,091	150,296,411	12,784	25,621,624	175,918,035	12,044,758	163,873,277
1907	29,616	169,305,916	13,082	27,076,196	187,382,112	12,131,121	175,250,991
1908	29,765	167,126,733	13,328	28,718,458	195,845,191	13,519,834	182,325,357
Increase over 1907	149	6,820,817	246	1,642,262	8,463,079	1,388,713	7,074,366

The average value of Churches was: in 1900 $4,327; in 1908 $6,579.
The average value of Parsonages was: in 1900 $1,608; in 1908 $2,155.
The per cent. of indebtedness to value of churches and parsonages in 1900 was 8.683, and in 1908, $6.903.

JAPAN IN THE MEMBERSHIP EQUATION

The terms "decrease" and "loss" are not synonymous. We present herewith a comparative statement of church and Sunday school

membership by Conferences for 1907–1908, showing the actual increases in 1908. From these totals we deduct the loss—for such it is rather than a decrease—occasioned by the transfer in 1907 of our denominational interests and possessions in Japan to the Japan Methodist church. Thus while the actual increase in church membership by Conferences in 1908 was 76,677, the net gain was 69,613, the loss in Japan being 7,064. In Sunday school membership, while the actual increase in 1908 by Conferences was 93,455, the net gain was 83,432, the loss in Japan being 10,023. The statistical reports of the Japan and the South Japan Conferences for the Conference year 1906–7 were included in our records, but were discontinued when the Japan Methodist church was organized in 1907.

Church and Sunday School Membership

(*a*) CHURCH

1907	Probationers..... 346,801	Full Members	2,960,474	Total..	3,307,275
1908	Probationers..... 348,073	Full Members	3,028,815	Total..	3,376,888
	•Increase in 1908				69,613
	Loss, Japan and South Japan Conferences				7,064

(*b*) SUNDAY SCHOOL

1907	Officers and Teachers.. 358,725,	Scholars.. 2,987,758	Total..		3,346,483
1908	Officers and Teachers.. 361,667,	Scholars.. 3,068,248	Total..		3,429,915
	Increase in 1908				83,432
	Loss, Japan and South Japan Conferences				10,023

RECORD OF THE EPISCOPACY

THE Episcopal College consists of thirty-two members—twenty-five general superintendents and seven missionary bishops. An historical sketch of the seventy-two men who have been elevated to the episcopacy by the church from its organization in 1784 to the present time is herewith presented:

1. GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS

Consecrated	NAMES	BORN	ENTER'D MINISTRY: Conference	ENTER'D MINISTRY: Y'r	REMARKS
1784	Thomas Coke	Sept. 9, 1747	Brit. Wes.	1778	Died at sea, May 3, 1814, aged 66.
1784	Francis Asbury	Aug. 20, 1745	Brit. Wes.	1767	Died in Va., Mar. 31, 1816, aged 70.
1800	Richard Whatcoat	Feb. 23, 1736	Brit. Wes.	1769	Died in Del., July 5, 1806, aged 70.
1808	William McKendree	July 6, 1757	M. E. Ch.	1788	Died in Tenn., Mar. 5, 1835, aged 77.
1816	Enoch George	Mar. 10 1768	M. E. Ch.	1790	Died in Va. Aug. 23, 1828, aged 60.
1816	Robert R. Roberts	Aug. 2, 1778	Baltimore	1802	Died in Ind., Mar. 26, 1843, aged 64.
1824	Joshua Soule	Aug. 1, 1781	New Eng.	1799	Bish. M. E. Ch., S'h, '46; d. Mar. 6, '67.
1824	Elijah Hedding	June 7, 1780	New York	1801	D. in Po'keepsie, April 9, '52, aged 71.
1832	James O. Andrew	Jan. 7, 1794	S. Carolina	1812	Bish. M. E. Ch., S'h, '46, d. Mar. 2, '71.
1832	John Emory	April 11, 1789	Philadelphia	1819	Died in Md., Dec. 16, 1835, aged 46.
1836	Beverly Waugh	Oct. 25, 1789	Baltimore	1809	Died in Md., Feb. 9, 1858, aged 68.
1836	Thomas A. Morris	April 28, 1794	Ohio	1816	Died in O., Sept. 2, 1874, aged 80.
1844	Leonidas L. Hamline	May 10, 1797	Ohio	1832	Resigned '52; d. in Ia., Feb. 22, '65.
1844	Edmund S. Janes	April 28, 1807	Philadelphia	1830	D. in N. Y. city, Sept. 18, '76, a. 69.
1852	Levi Scott	Oct. 11, 1802	Philadelphia	1826	D. in Odessa, Del., July 13, '82, a. 79.

1. General Superintendents—*Continued*

Consecrated	NAMES	Born	Enter'd Ministry: Conference	Enter'd Ministry: Y'r	Remarks
1852	Matthew Simpson	June 21, 1811	Pittsburg	1833	Died in Phila., June 18, '84, aged 72.
1852	Osmon C. Baker	July 30, 1812	N. Hamp	1839	D. in Conc'd, N. H., Dec. 20, '71, a. 59.
1852	Edward R. Ames	May 20, 1806	Illinois	1830	D. in Baltimore, April 25, '79, a. 72.
1864	Davis W. Clark	Feb. 25, 1812	New York	1843	D. in Cincinnati, May 23, '71, aged 59.
1864	Edward Thomson	Oct. 12, 1810	Ohio	1832	D. in Wheeling, W. Va., Mar. 22, '70.
1864	Calvin Kingsley	Sept. 8, 1812	Erie	1841	D. in Beirut, Syria, April 6, 1870, a. 57.
1872	Thomas Bowman	July 15, 1817	Baltimore	1839	College Pres. when elected. P'klyn., N.Y.
1872	William L Harris	Nov. 4, 1817	Michigan	1837	D. in N Y. city, Sept. 2, '87, aged 69.
1872	Randolph S. Foster	Feb. 22, 1820	Ohio	1837	D. in Newton Center, Mass., May 1, 1903, aged 83.
1872	Isaac W. Wiley	Mar. 29, 1825	E. Genesee	1850	D. in Foochow, China, Nov. 22, '84, a. 69.
1872	Stephen M. Merrill	Sept. 16, 1825	Ohio	1846	Died in Keyport, N.J., Nov. 12, '05, a 80.
1872	Edward G. Andrews	Aug. 7, 1825	Oneida	1848	Died in Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 31, 1907, aged 82.
1872	Gilbert Haven	Sept. 19, 1821	N. England	1851	D. in Malden, Mass., Jan. 3, 1880, a. 58.
1872	Jesse T. Peck	April 4, 1811	Oneida	1832	D. in Syracuse, N. Y., May 17, '83, a. 72.
1880	Henry W. Warren	Jan. 4, 1831	N. England	1855	Pastor when elected.
1880	Cyrus D. Foss	Jan. 17, 1834	New York	1857	College Pres. when elected.
1880	John F. Hurst	Aug. 17, 1834	Newark	1858	D. in Bethesda, Md., May 4, '03, a. 68.
1880	Erastus O. Haven	Nov. 1, 1820	New York	1848	D. in Salem, Ore., Aug. 2, 1881, a. 60.
1884	William X. Ninde	June 21, 1832	Black River	1856	D. in Detroit, Mich., Jan. 3, '01, a. 68.
1884	John M. Walden	Feb. 11, 1831	Cincinnati	1858	Book Agent when elected.
1884	Willard F. Mallalieu	Dec. 11, 1828	N. England	1858	Presiding Elder when elected.
1884	Charles H. Fowler	Aug. 11, 1837	Rock River	1861	D. in New York city, Mar 20, '08, a. 70.
1888	John H. Vincent	Feb. 23, 1832	New Jersey	1853	Sec'y S. S. Union when elected.
1888	James N. FitzGerald	July 27, 1837	Newark	1862	D. in Hongkong, April 4, 1907, a. 69.
1888	Isaac W. Joyce	Oct. 11, 1836	N. W. Ind	1859	D. in Minneapolis, July 28, 1905 a 68
1888	John P. Newman	Sept. 1, 1826	Oneida	1849	D. in Saratoga, N. Y., July 5, '99, a. 72
1888	Daniel A. Goodsell	Nov. 5, 1840	N. Y. East	1859	Sec'y Board of Ed. when elected.
1896	Charles C. McCabe	Oct. 11, 1836	Ohio	1860	D. in New York city, Dec. 19, '06, a. 70.
1896	Earl Cranston	June 27, 1840	Ohio	1867	Book Agent when elected.
1900	David H. Moore	Sept. 4, 1838	Ohio	1860	Editor when elected.
1900	John W. Hamilton	Mar. 18, 1845	Pittsburg	1866	Sec'y Freedmen's Aid when elected.
1904	Joseph F. Berry	May 13, 1856	Detroit	1874	Gen. Sec. Ep. League when elected.
1904	Henry Spellmeyer	Nov. 25, 1847	Newark	1869	Pastor when elected.
1904	William F. McDowell	Feb. 4, 1858	North Ohio	1882	Sec. Board of Ed. when elected.
1904	James W. Bashford	May 27, 1849	New England	1880	College Pres. when elected.
1904	William Burt	Oct. 23, 1852	N. Y. East	1881	Missionary when elected.
1904	Luther B. Wilson	Nov. 14, 1856	Baltimore	1878	Presiding Elder when elected.
1904	Thomas B. Neely	June 12, 1841	Philadelphia	1865	Sec. S. S. U. and Tract So.wh. elected.
1908	William F. Anderson	April 22, 1860	New York	1887	Sec'y Board of Education when elected.
1908	John L. Nuelsen	Jan. 19, 1867	West German	1889	College Professor when elected.
1908	William A. Quayle	June 26, 1861	Kansas	1885	Pastor when elected.
1908	Charles W. Smith	Jan. 30, 1840	Pittsburg	1859	Editor when elected.
1908	Wilson S. Lewis	July 17, 1857	Upper Iowa	1885	College President when elected.
1908	Edwin H. Hughes	Dec. 7, 1866	Iowa	1886	College President when elected.
1908	Robert McIntyre	Nov. 20, 1851	Illinois	1878	Pastor when elected.
1908	Frank M. Bristol	Jan. 4, 1851	Rock River	1877	Pastor when elected.

2. Missionary Bishops

1858	Francis Burns	Dec. 5, 1809	Liberia	1838	Died in Baltimore, April 18, '63, a. 53.
1866	John W. Roberts	Sept. 8, 1812	Liberia	1838	Died in Liberia, Jan. 30, 1875, a. 63.
1884	William Taylor	May 2, 1821	Baltimore	1843	Died in Palo Alto, May 18, '02, a. 81.
1888	James M. Thoburn	Mar. 7, 1836	Pittsburg	1858	Presiding Elder when elected.
1896	Joseph C. Hartzell	June 1, 1842	Cent. Ill.	1868	Sec'y Freedmen's Aid when elected.
1900	Edwin W. Parker	Jan. 21, 1833	Vermont	1857	D. at Naini Tal, India, June 3, '01, a. 68
1900	Frank W. Warne	Dec. 31, 1854	Ont., Can. Ch.	1874	P. E. Ben.-Burma Conf. when elected.
1904	Isaiah B. Scott	Sept. 30, 1854	Tennessee	1880	Editor when elected.
1904	William F. Oldham	Dec. 15, 1854	Michigan	1883	Asst. Sec. Miss. Soc. when elected.
1904	John E. Robinson	Feb. 12, 1849	Cent. Ill.	1874	Presiding Elder when elected.
1904	Merriman C. Harris	July 9, 1846	Pittsburg	1869	Supt. and Pres. Elder when elected.

For Liberia, Burns and Roberts. For Africa, Taylor, Hartzell and Scott. For India and Malaysia, Thoburn. For Southern Asia, Parker, Warne, Oldham and Robinson. For Japan and Korea, Harris.

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AN EPISCOPAL STUDY

THE election of eight General Superintendents by the General Conference of 1908 renders a revision of this "study" necessary. It is an interesting fact that whereas as many as eight General Superintendents have been elected at two sessions of the General Conference, namely, in 1872 and 1908, ten sessions have been held, since the Conference became a delegated body in 1812, at which no General Superintendents were elected, namely, those of 1812, 1820, 1828, 1840, 1848, 1856, 1860, 1868, 1876, 1892. The number elected, 61 in all, at each of the several sessions of the Conferences, 1784 to

1908 inclusive, is as follows: 1784, 2; 1800, 1; 1808, 1; 1816, 2; 1824, 2; 1832, 2; 1836, 2; 1844, 2; 1852, 4; 1864, 3; 1872, 8; 1880, 4; 1884, 4; 1888, 5; 1896, 2; 1900, 2; 1904, 7; 1908, 8= 61. Of the eleven Missionary Bishops, 1 was elected in 1858, 1 in 1866, 1 in 1884, 1 in 1888, 1 in 1896, 2 in 1900, 4 in 1904. From the date of the organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1784 to and including 1908 the number of General Superintendents elected was 61; Missionary Bishops, 11; total number of Bishops, 72. Of the 61 General Superintendents, 36 have died, 25 still survive, 20 of whom are effective, and 5 non-effective, namely, Bishops Bowman, Foss, Walden, Mallalieu, Vincent. Of the 11 Missionary Bishops, 4 have fallen, 7 survive, 6 of whom are effective and 1 (Bishop Thoburn) non-effective. The average age of the 61 General Superintendents when elected was $50\frac{39}{61}$ years. The oldest of the 61 when elected was Bishop Smith, 68; the youngest, Bishop Janes, 37. Of the 11 Missionary Bishops, the oldest when elected was Bishop Parker, 67; the youngest, Bishop Warne, 46. The average age of the 20 effective General Superintendents on December 7, 1908, taking the last birthday as the basis of computation, is $57\frac{7}{10}$ years, the aggregate years being 1,154. The average age of the 7 Missionary Bishops is $60\frac{1}{7}$ years, the aggregate of years being 421 The average age of the 5 surviving non-effective Bishops is $79\frac{3}{5}$ years, the sum of their years being 398. The oldest is Bishop Bowman, 91; the youngest, Bishop Foss, 74. The 36 General Superintendents who have died attained an average age of $68\frac{2}{3}$ years; the 4 Missionary Bishops, $66\frac{1}{2}$ years. Bishop Soule, elected in 1824 at the age of 43 years, died in 1867 at the age of 86 years. His longevity exceeded that of any of the 36 who have fallen. Bishop Emory died at the age of 46, the youngest of the 36. His death was due to an accident. Bishops Soule and Andrews were elected Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1846, and died in that communion. Bishop Hamline resigned in 1852 on account of long continued ill health. His election occurred at the General Conference session in 1844, and thus he had served for 8 years. He died in 1865.

STUDIES PERTAINING TO THE MINISTRY

(*a*) Ministers, Churches, Communicants, 1857–1907, by decades.

(*b*) Ministerial Record, Gains and Losses, 1907 and 1900–1907.

(*c*) Ministerial Demand and Supply.
(*d*) Local Preachers and the Pastorate.

It has been our custom to present, year by year, in the Methodist Year Book a "Ministerial Record" covering our ministerial gains and losses. This feature is continued in this issue. We have been studying other phases of the subject, however, and herewith submit some results of our investigations along the broader lines indicated in the topical outline above presented. We are persuaded that the church will find in the data formulated some facts demanding serious consideration.

(*a*) Ministers, Churches, Communicants, 1857–1907, by Decades
The ratio of ministers to churches and communicants is as follows:

Year	Ministers	Churches	Ratio	Ministers	Communicants	Ratio
1857	6,711	8,355	80.3	6,711	820,519	.817
1867	8,700	11,121	78.2	8,700	1,146,081	.759
1877	12,334	16,200	76.1	12,334	1,671,608	.738
1887	14,135	20,755	68.1	14,135	2,093,935	.676
1897	17,468	26,147	66.8	17,468	2,853,257	.612
1907	19,353	29,616	65.3	19,353	3,307,275	.585

The ratio of ministers to both churches and communicants is shown to have steadily diminished decade by decade for half a century. In church building the three decades, 1867 to 1897, were remarkable, increases in the number having been 5,079, 4,555, and 5,392 respectively. The aggregate increase was 15,026—a number exceeding 50 per cent of the entire number of churches registered at the close of 1907. The increases in ministers for the three decades were, respectively, 3,634, 1,801, and 3,333, the aggregate being 8,768, or 58.3 per cent of the increase in churches. Just why the decade 1877–1887 should have registered an increase of only 1,801 ministers, as against 3,634 and 3,333 in the decades immediately preceding and following it, is a profound mystery to us.

1907 over 1857

Increase in ministers..... 12,642, or 188.4 per cent
Increase in churches..... 21,261, or 254.5 per cent
Increase in communicants. 2,486,756, or 303.7 per cent

Some Gains in Churches, Ministers, and Membership

Some of the more striking gains in churches, ministers, and membership, by Conferences, for the first seven years of the twentieth century are hereby indicated. The schedule presents some strange features. Why, for example, West Virginia Conference, with an increase of 121 churches, should have an increase of only 16 ministers and 4,343 members—an average in the latter item of only 36—and why Southern Illinois Conference, with an increase of 43 churches,

with an average of 145 members each, should show a loss of 12 ministers, are questions we cannot answer.

GAINS IN 1907 OVER 1900

CONFERENCES	Churches	Ministers	Membership	CONFERENCES	Churches	Ministers	Membership
Baltimore	43	37	9,519	North Dakota	55	52	3,463
Colorado	57	70	9,175	Northern Minnesota	56	18	4,066
Columbia River	55	37	5,848	Northwest Kansas	46	14	2,383
Dakota	28	42	2,049	Oklahoma	56	57	7,891
Delaware	25	9	*dec.* 2,372	Oregon	27	30	3,611
Erie	28	15	4,263	Pittsburg	28	51	12,976
Idaho	31	20	3,117	Puget Sound	42	44	7,506
Gulf	34	15	1,759	Southern California	41	49	13,929
Holston	94	66	7,413	Southern Illinois	43	*dec.* 12	6,266
Michigan	40	18	1,833	Southwest Kansas	55	35	5,287
Mississippi	52	29	5,374	West Virginia	121	16	4,343
North Carolina	48	17	137				

Conferences formed out of other Conferences since 1900 are omitted.

The average membership per church in 1857 was 98.4; in 1907, 111.7. These data suggest the question: Is the ministry keeping pace numerically with the increase in churches and membership? It should be remembered in connection with the above figures that the census of traveling preachers embraces all classes—effective ministers, preachers on trial, supernumeraries, and superannuates.

(*b*) MINISTERIAL RECORD, GAINS AND LOSSES, 1907, AND 1906–1907

	Gains	*Losses*	*Net Gains*
1907	Gains from all sources, 906;	Aggregate losses, 528	378
1906	Gains from all sources, 816;	Aggregate losses, 553	263
		Net increase, 1907 over 1906	115

Comparative Analysis in Detail

Received on trial	1906, 734; 1907, 806; Increase, 1907.	72
Readmitted	1906, 17; 1907, 19; Increase, 1907.	2
Received on credentials	1906, 65; 1907, 81; Increase, 1907.	16
Total		90
Discontinued	1906, 93; 1907, 91	
Located	1906, 60; 1907, 60	
Expelled	1906, 9; 1907, 3	
Died	1906, 304; 1907, 306	
Withdrawn	1906, 87; 1907, 68	
Increase in accessions, 1907 over 1906		90
Decrease in losses, 1907 over 1906		25
Net gain, 1907 over 1906		115

DENOMINATIONS REPRESENTED IN CREDENTIALS

The 81 ministers received on credentials came from the following denominations: African Methodist Episcopal, 10; United Brethren, 9;

Methodist Episcopal, South, 9; Congregational, 6; Baptist, 6; Methodist Church of Canada, 4; United Evangelical, 4; Primitive Methodist, 3; Free Methodist, 3; Methodist Protestant, 3; United Evangelical Association of North America, 3; Presbyterian, 3; Protestant Episcopal, 2; Wesleyan Methodist of America, 2; Free Will Baptist, 2; Colored Methodist Episcopal, 2; Nippon, Japan, 1; Missionary Baptist, 1; African Methodist Episcopal Zion, 1; Disciples of Christ, 1; Bible Christian Church of England, 1; Christian Alliance, 1; Free Baptist, 1; Evangelical of Italy, 1; Wesleyan of South Africa, 1; Presbyterian of Mexico, 1=81. This is an extremely gratifying exhibit, since it shows an increase of 16, or 25 per cent, over the previous year.

Of the 68 who withdrew from our ministry in 1907, 52, having withdrawn under Disciplinary Question 18, left us with a clean bill of ministerial character, whereas 16 withdrew under Disciplinary Question 19, that is, they were "permitted to withdraw under charges or complaints." While they were lost to us, if they united with the ministry of other denominations they did not go with our credentials or endorsement, but rather as discredited ministers. "The relation to the church of the preacher thus withdrawn shall be the same as if he had been expelled." Hence it cannot be said that by uniting with the ministry of other denominations they thereby offset our accessions from other denominations. "They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us they would, no doubt, have continued with us: but they went out that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us." We are therefore concerned to learn what became of the 52 who withdrew under Question 18, and only these. This is their record: 24 united with the ministry of other denominations, 25 retired from the ministry, while 3 cannot be traced. The net gain from the 81 accessions was, therefore, 29, or 35.8 per cent. This is a surprising record inasmuch as the prevailing impression is that we are constantly losing more ministers to other denominations than we are gaining from them.

The ministerial record for the first seven years of the twentieth century presents some interesting facts. The increase of 441 Superannuates, as against a decrease of 4 Supernumeraries, is striking. The ranks of Local Preachers remain practically unchanged. The low death rate of ministers, 1.58 per cent in 1907, for example, is astonishing. The comparative record, year by year, for seven years, is as follows:

Year	On Trial	Effective	Supernumeraries	Superannuates	Total	Increase	Located, Etc.	Died	Local Preachers
1900	1,528	12,865	916	2,278	17,587	....	....	....	14,146
1901	1,605	12,983	794	2,502	17,884	297	204	278	13,867
1902	1,564	13,070	845	2,501	17,980	96	274	292	13,509
1903	1,585	13,260	866	2,515	18,226	246	284	284	13,689
1904	1,540	13,376	872	2,572	18,360	134	230	302	13,619
1905	1,640	13,538	894	2,589	18,661	301	251	322	13,935
1906	1,734	13,710	913	2,634	18,991	330	255	304	13,999
1907	1,805	13,917	912	2,719	19,353	362	247	306	14,075

(*c*) Ministerial Demand and Supply

The demand for ministers cannot be predicated of the number of churches, inasmuch as one pastor frequently serves a number of churches. We could name a district with 29 charges, 23 ministers, 8 "supplies," and 130 churches. Nor is the demand for ministers limited to the demand for pastors only, since there is an ever increasing demand for ministers to fill non-pastoral or detached positions. At the close of 1907 there were 29,616 churches and only 15,722 ministers, effective and on trial. Of this number, subject to appointment as pastors, 13 per cent, or 2,038, occupied non-pastoral positions, leaving 13,684 as the actual number of pastors from the ranks of the regular ministry. The following classification shows the distribution of these 2,038 ministers:

District Superintendents	657	Conference Claimants, Endowments, etc	46
College Presidents, Professors, etc	422	Deaconess Homes, Hospitals, etc	51
Attending School	319	City Mission Work	17
Conference Evangelists	119	Chaplains	54
Secretaries, Field Agents, etc	112	Bible Work	19
Temperance Workers	51	Miscellaneous	70
Publishing Interests	30		
International Reform Bureau	6	Total	2,038
Editors	65		

The ratio of ministers serving as pastors to churches was 46.2, or 13,684 pastors to 29,616 churches. This phase of the subject should be studied in connection with "(*d*) Local Preachers and the Pastorate."

Did our space permit, we would present by Conferences the information which follows instead of giving in the aggregate the changes that have occurred in the first seven years of the twentieth century in the items named:

Number of Churches			Number of Ministers Serving as Pastors			Number of Supplies Serving as Pastors			Number of Local Preachers		
1900	1907	Inc.	1900	1907	Inc.	1900	1907	Inc.	1900	1907	Dec.
27,299	29,616	2,317	12,912	13,684	772	3,303	4,439	1,136	14,146	14,075	71

The excess in the number of churches over that of pastors, namely, 11,493, represents the number of churches above one church served by pastors of circuits. The per cent of increase in churches in the period named was 8.5 and of ministers serving as preachers 6, whereas the increase in supplies was 34.4 per cent, despite which fact the number of Local Preachers was less by 71 in 1907 than at the beginning of the century. These data render of special importance the study of

(*d*) Local Preachers and the Pastorate

At the close of 1907 the number of Local Preachers was 14,075. A glance at the distribution of these men, whose numerical ratio to that of the traveling ministry is as 72.7 is to 100, challenges our attention:

Number of Local Preachers in foreign fields	1,956
Number in Colored Conferences and South Florida Mission	4,128
Number in the domestic White Conferences and Missions	7,991
Total	14,075
Number of Traveling Preachers in foreign fields	1,347
Number in Colored Conferences	2,117
Number in domestic White Conferences and Missions	15,889
Total	19,353

The ratio of Local Preachers to Traveling Preachers in foreign fields was 145.2 to 100; in the Colored Conferences, 195 to 100; in the domestic White Conferences, 50.3 to 100. The immense preponderance of Local Preachers over Traveling Preachers in the Colored Conferences, in contrast with the low ratio thereof in the domestic White Conferences and Missions, is interesting in itself considered not only, but it has a broader significance than this, as we shall presently show. Meantime we present the following data:

COLORED CONFERENCES AND LOCAL PREACHERS

Conferences	Local Preachers	Ministers Including Those on Trial	Supernumeraries	Superannuates	Whole Number of Ministers	Ministers Subject to Pastoral Appointment	Non-Pastoral Appointees	Ministers in Pastoral Relation	Supplies
Atlanta	214	78	2	11	91	78	9	69	10
Central Alabama	153	51	2	7	60	51	8	43	12
Central Missouri	54	59	4	10	73	59	4	55	27
Delaware	229	136	1	12	149	136	6	130	21
East Tennessee	62	50	3	4	57	50	7	43	22
Florida	116	59	..	9	68	59	4	55	19
Lexington	136	108	3	9	120	108	12	96	31
Lincoln	152	39	1	7	47	39	3	36	17
Little Rock	145	78	3	6	87	78	12	66	16
Louisiana	520	161	7	13	181	161	9	152	37
Mississippi	337	126	1	11	138	126	9	117	16
Mobile	116	38	3	7	48	38	5	33	9
North Carolina	119	82	3	5	90	82	14	68	19
Savannah	158	70	1	4	75	70	4	66	14
South Carolina	506	162	4	12	178	162	14	148	15
Tennessee	148	105	7	3	115	105	15	90	24
Texas	212	105	5	19	129	105	9	96	13
Upper Mississippi	405	123	5	9	137	123	13	110	28
Washington	255	144	4	12	160	144	14	130	16
West Texas	168	90	2	22	114	90	9	81	9
South Florida Mission	23	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	10
Total	4,128	1,864	61	192	2,117	1,864	180	1,684	385

It will be observed that in the Colored Conferences only 385 Local Preachers were serving as "Supplies," that is, as pastors, out of a total of 4,128, the ratio to the whole number being 9.3 to 100, while the ratio to the whole number of pastors from the ranks of Traveling Preachers, 1,684, was only 22.9 to 100. More than 90 per cent of the Local Preachers in this section of the field remained outside the pastoral relation, whereas in the domestic White Conferences and

Missions, of the 7,991 Local Preachers, 3,472, or 43.7 per cent, were serving as pastors, as the following data prove:

Whole number of Pastors, Traveling Preachers, and Supplies		18,123
Whole number of Traveling Preachers serving as pastors	13,684	
Whole number of "Supplies"	4,439	
		18,123

It is evident that a much larger proportion of Local Preachers are serving as pastors in our domestic White Conferences than we have been wont to concede, while the reverse of this is true in our Colored Conferences. "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter."

Whole number of "Supplies"		4,439
Whole number in foreign fields	582	
Whole number in Colored Conferences	385	
Whole number in domestic White field	3,472	
		4,439

Consider these facts: Of the 19,353 Traveling Preachers, 912 are Supernumeraries and 2,719 Superannuates—total, 3,631, or 13.6 per cent. Now we have only 7,991 Local Preachers in the domestic White Conferences and Missions. Assuming that the percentage of aged and infirm is the same as that of the regular ministry, namely, 13.6, we have only 6,904 "Supplies" from which to draw for pastors, 3,472 of whom, or 50.3 per cent, are actually serving the church in the pastoral relation, and the number of Local Preachers is diminishing rather than increasing; in 1900 it was 14,146, and in 1907, 14,075. We are aware—it falls to our lot as the editor of the General Minutes to know—that now and then a supernumerary minister serves as a supply. But "what are these among so many?" The instances are so rare indeed that as a statistical factor an extremely attenuated decimal would be required to express it. All honor to the Lay Preacher. Let him give diligence to present himself "approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth."

MINISTERIAL RECORD AND ANALYSIS

In the record of "Traveling Preachers" contained in the "General Recapitulation" of the General Minutes many valuable data are sacrificed for the sake of economy in space. For example, no figures are given showing the number of probationers who "run well for a season," but are afterward "discontinued," voluntarily or otherwise, while the column headed "Located, Etc.," embraces in a lump sum the answers by Conferences to Disciplinary Questions 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21 in so far as it relates to ministers who have been "suspended" pending the investigation of their cases by District Superintendents or select committees. Further than this, no tabulation is presented of the number of ministers

received on credentials from other denominations nor of the number "readmitted" after having located. These data are of such vital interest to our church that under no circumstances are the Disciplinary Questions referred to allowed to go unasked or unanswered during Conference sessions. To be sure these Questions and Answers are entered in the records of the several Conferences in the General Minutes, but the concrete results of the work can only be known by persons who analyze the proceedings of all the Conferences; hence the following record:

CONFERENCES 1907	Readmitted	Rec'd on Credentials from Other Churches	Received on Trial	Discontinued	Whole Number on Trial	MEMBERS IN CONFERENCE: Effective	Supernumerary	Superannuated	Total	Died	Located at Their Own Request	Number Who Have Been Located	Withdrawn	Withdrawn Under Charges or Complaints	Expelled	Ministers in Full Connection and on Trial 1906	1907	Increase	Decrease
Alabama	..	1	4	1	14	29	10	7	46	1	1	..	..	1	..	59	60	1	..
Andes	..	..	3	1	10	31	..	..	31	..	..	..	..	..	..	34	41	7	..
Arkansas	..	1	6	..	11	32	2	11	45	..	1	..	1	..	..	53	56	3	..
Atlanta	..	..	3	..	5	73	2	11	86	..	..	..	..	..	..	89	91	2	..
Atlantic	..	..	4	..	8	9	1	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	18	3	..
Austin	..	..	2	1	6	33	..	2	35	..	..	..	..	..	..	39	41	2	..
Baltimore	..	..	7	1	13	192	8	36	236	4	..	..	..	2	..	250	249	..	1
Bengal	..	..	2	..	6	21	..	1	22	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	28	4	..
Blue Ridge	..	..	3	..	9	27	3	3	33	2	1	..	..	1	..	42	42	..	..
Bombay	..	..	3	..	5	20	1	3	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	27	29	2	..
Bulgaria	..	..	..	..	2	15	..	1	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	18	..	..
Burma	..	..	..	..	3	4	..	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..	8	7	..	1
California	..	1	11	3	26	178	14	48	240	5	2	..	..	..	..	267	266	..	1
California German	..	..	..	1	..	17	3	4	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	24	1	..
Central Alabama	..	2	6	2	9	42	2	7	51	2	..	..	..	..	..	56	60	4	..
Central German	..	..	2	..	5	104	2	18	124	3	..	..	..	..	..	131	129	..	2
Central Illinois	..	1	8	..	21	171	15	47	233	6	..	..	..	..	..	248	254	6	..
Central Missouri	..	..	4	1	6	53	4	10	67	2	4	..	..	..	..	75	73	..	2
Central New York	..	..	8	2	21	189	12	44	245	4	1	..	..	..	..	265	266	1	..
Central Ohio	..	3	11	..	18	169	16	41	226	8	..	..	..	..	..	246	244	..	2
Cent. Pennsylvania	..	2	7	..	20	231	6	45	282	5	1	..	..	..	..	301	302	1	..
Central Provinces	..	..	2	..	2	24	..	..	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	22	26	4	..
Central Swedish	..	..	4	..	6	41	2	3	46	..	..	..	..	..	..	50	52	2	..
Central Tennessee	..	..	..	..	5	23	6	7	36	1	..	..	..	..	..	46	41	..	5
Chicago German	..	..	..	..	3	63	2	17	82	1	..	..	..	..	..	88	85	..	3
Cincinnati	1	..	2	..	12	162	10	3	207	4	..	..	1	..	..	222	219	..	3
Colorado	..	2	4	2	13	153	16	10	179	3	3	..	..	..	..	176	192	16	..
Columbia River	..	1	5	2	14	97	11	21	129	2	..	..	5	..	..	141	143	2	..
Dakota	1	..	12	2	24	96	12	14	122	1	1	1	1	1	..	140	146	6	..
Delaware	..	..	5	2	12	124	1	12	137	2	1	..	..	1	..	149	149	..	..
Denmark	..	..	2	..	3	17	..	1	18	..	..	..	1	..	..	23	21	..	2
Des Moines	..	..	8	..	14	201	9	54	264	2	1	..	..	..	..	281	278	..	3
Detroit	..	..	12	3	31	262	14	69	345	8	2	..	1	..	..	381	376	..	5
East Central Africa	..	..	1	..	3	5	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	8	1	..
East German	..	..	3	..	3	45	..	5	50	3	..	..	..	..	..	54	53	..	1
East Maine	..	..	2	..	8	82	4	14	100	2	..	..	..	1	..	114	108	..	6
East Ohio	..	2	6	..	19	241	8	40	289	4	1	..	1	..	..	306	308	2	..
East Tennessee	..	..	6	1	9	41	3	4	48	..	..	..	..	..	..	53	57	4	..
Eastern Swedish	..	..	..	..	2	31	..	1	32	..	..	..	..	..	..	32	34	2	..
Erie	..	1	10	..	18	175	9	43	227	7	..	..	2	..	..	243	245	2	..
Fin'd & St.Pet'sb'g	..	..	1	..	5	14	..	..	14	1	..	..	..	..	..	20	19	..	1
Florida	..	..	..	..	8	39	..	9	48	3	..	..	..	..	..	72	56	..	16
Foochow	1	..	15	..	33	66	2	3	71	1	1	..	3	..	..	88	104	16	..
Genesee	..	..	9	..	22	217	13	42	272	6	1	..	1	3	..	298	294	..	4

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Georgia	..	..	2	..	2	14	3	2	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	21	2	..
Gulf	..	1	11	2	13	18	4	4	26	..	..	..	2	..	..	31	39	8	..
Hinghua	..	..	4	..	9	37	1	..	38	..	1	..	..	..	..	41	47	6	..
Holston	..	1	8	1	23	100	16	24	140	3	..	..	..	1	..	154	163	9	..
Idaho	..	..	..	1	6	32	3	9	44	..	1	..	..	..	..	53	50	..	3
Illinois	..	2	11	..	29	261	28	80	369	3	..	1	..	..	..	400	398	..	2
Indiana	1	1	23	2	42	221	19	70	310	5	1	..	1	..	..	340	352	12	..
Iowa	..	1	10	..	20	120	14	21	155	2	..	..	..	..	..	175	175	..	..
Italy	..	1	..	..	3	35	4	7	46	1	..	..	1	..	..	49	49	..	..
Japan	..	..	7	1	10	68	1	3	72	..	..	..	1	..	..	83	82	..	1
Kansas	..	1	11	2	19	127	14	40	181	2	1	..	..	..	..	195	200	5	..
Kentucky	1	1	8	..	14	59	5	16	80	2	1	..	..	..	..	93	94	1	..
Korea	..	..	10	..	14	8	1	..	9	..	1	..	..	..	..	17	23	6	..
Lexington	..	..	5	..	10	98	3	9	110	2	..	..	..	..	..	115	120	5	..
Liberia	..	..	6	1	13	29	1	1	31	2	..	..	..	..	..	43	44	1	..
Lincoln	1	..	2	2	6	33	1	7	41	1	..	..	..	..	..	54	47	..	7
Little Rock	..	2	9	..	13	65	3	6	74	2	..	..	1	..	1	82	87	5	..
Louisiana	..	..	..	2	12	149	7	13	169	6	..	3	..	..	..	184	181	..	3
Maine	..	..	1	..	7	75	8	27	110	2	1	..	..	1	..	121	117	..	4
Malaysia	..	..	2	..	4	19	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	21	23	2	..
Mexico	..	1	1	..	7	39	..	1	40	1	..	..	..	..	..	41	47	6	..
Michigan	..	2	18	1	37	230	24	87	341	3	1	..	3	..	..	370	378	8	..
Minnesota	1	..	5	2	11	114	11	36	161	1	2	..	2	..	..	176	172	..	4
Mississippi	..	..	14	1	18	108	1	11	120	1	..	..	1	..	..	126	138	12	..
Missouri	..	..	5	2	17	110	5	22	137	1	..	..	2	..	..	169	154	..	15
Mobile	..	3	6	2	11	27	3	7	37	..	..	..	..	..	1	46	48	2	..
Montana	..	1	2	..	3	44	3	4	51	..	1	..	..	..	..	70	54	..	16
Nebraska	..	2	6	..	19	131	20	33	184	3	..	..	..	1	..	193	203	10	..
New England	..	1	5	1	14	216	14	32	262	9	..	..	1	..	..	279	276	..	3
New Eng. South'n	1	1	4	..	8	141	9	22	172	5	..	..	..	..	..	175	180	5	..
New Hampshire	..	..	1	..	6	90	13	16	119	..	..	..	..	..	..	120	125	5	..
New Jersey	..	..	3	..	13	188	12	21	221	6	..	..	..	..	..	237	234	..	3
New Mexico Span	..	..	2	2	6	25	..	..	25	..	..	..	1	..	..	32	31	..	1
New York	..	..	3	1	10	239	12	46	297	7	1	..	..	..	..	315	307	..	8
New York East	..	..	8	1	16	238	12	52	302	5	..	..	2	..	..	312	318	6	..
Newark	..	..	6	..	13	205	18	18	241	5	..	..	1	..	..	248	254	6	..
North Carolina	..	..	7	..	11	71	3	5	79	2	..	..	..	..	..	83	90	7	..
North China	..	..	2	1	10	50	..	..	50	1	..	..	..	..	..	55	60	5	..
North Dakota	..	1	12	..	23	96	13	7	116	3	..	..	..	..	..	131	139	8	..
North Germany	..	..	9	1	12	72	..	6	78	1	..	..	..	..	..	84	90	6	..
North India	..	1	..	9	92	..	5	97	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	104	106	2	..
North Indiana	1	1	6	..	21	201	11	52	264	4	1	..	..	..	..	298	285	..	13
North Montana	..	..	2	1	5	25	2	..	27	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	32	32	..
North Nebraska	1	..	1	3	10	99	16	19	134	1	..	..	..	..	..	153	144	..	9
North Ohio	..	1	8	..	14	154	3	34	191	2	..	..	..	..	..	201	205	4	..
Northern German	..	..	..	1	3	49	4	15	68	2	..	..	1	..	..	70	71	1	..
North'n Minnesota	..	1	9	1	23	117	13	18	148	2	1	..	..	1	..	167	171	4	..
North'n New York	1	1	3	..	15	143	5	60	208	5	1	..	1	..	..	226	223	..	3
Northern Swedish	..	..	..	..	3	30	..	1	31	..	1	..	..	1	..	31	34	3	..
Northwest German	..	..	1	..	4	46	3	10	59	1	..	..	..	..	..	62	63	1	..
Northwest India	..	..	1	..	2	64	..	6	70	..	..	..	..	1	..	70	72	2	..
Northwest Indiana	1	..	12	2	23	134	4	39	177	4	..	..	..	..	1	199	200	1	..
Northwest Iowa	1	..	11	..	26	135	29	28	192	1	1	..	..	..	..	216	218	2	..
Northwest Kansas	..	..	8	1	15	87	8	26	121	1	..	..	..	..	..	131	136	5	..
Northw't Nebraska	..	1	1	1	5	17	5	3	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	34	30	..	4
Norway	..	..	2	..	6	41	..	5	46	..	..	1	..	..	..	49	52	3	..
Norw. and Danish	..	..	2	..	4	51	1	9	61	..	..	..	..	..	..	66	65	..	1
Ohio	..	1	6	1	20	195	12	55	262	8	..	..	..	..	..	281	282	1	..
Oklahoma	1	1	13	1	24	121	14	17	152	4	2	..	..	..	..	164	176	12	..
Oregon	1	4	4	..	12	96	9	23	128	..	1	..	..	..	1	123	140	17	..

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Pacific German	..	..	2	..	2	20	4	6	30	..	..	..	..	..	..	30	32	2	..
Philadelphia	1	..	15	..	21	276	24	26	326	6	1	..	..	..	..	338	347	9	..
Philippine Islands	..	..	11	1	21	14	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	35	12	..
Pittsburg	..	1	13	..	27	212	4	28	244	6	..	..	..	..	..	266	271	5	..
Puget Sound	..	..	10	3	20	112	13	19	144	2	..	1	1	..	..	167	164	..	3
Rock River	..	1	5	..	14	280	13	46	339	6	1	..	..	..	..	340	353	13	..
Saint Johns River	..	..	3	..	3	19	..	2	21	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	24	1	..
Saint Louis	2	1	16	2	24	133	12	28	173	3	1	..	1	..	..	181	197	16	..
St. Louis German	..	..	3	..	9	88	4	36	128	2	..	..	..	..	..	143	137	..	6
Savannah	..	4	7	..	17	53	1	4	58	..	..	..	..	..	..	68	75	7	..
South America	..	..	5	..	7	30	1	..	31	..	..	..	1	..	..	32	38	6	..
South Carolina	..	6	9	1	20	142	4	12	158	1	..	..	1	1	..	169	178	9	..
South Germany	..	..	4	..	10	85	1	6	92	2	..	..	..	..	..	100	102	2	..
South India	..	..	1	..	3	24	..	1	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	28	2	..
South Japan	..	..	4	..	7	29	..	..	29	..	..	..	..	..	..	29	36	7	..
South Kansas	..	..	3	..	14	112	3	36	151	2	..	..	1	..	..	170	165	..	5
South'n California	1	1	10	..	15	151	18	36	205	5	1	..	1	..	..	194	220	26	..
Southern German	..	..	2	..	5	30	1	5	36	1	..	..	1	..	..	40	41	1	..
Southern Illinois	..	1	14	3	30	140	6	32	178	4	..	..	2	1	..	208	208	..	..
Southwest Kansas	..	1	6	1	20	129	9	22	160	1	3	..	..	..	..	174	180	6	..
Sweden	..	..	5	..	16	92	1	17	110	3	..	..	1	..	1	110	126	16	..
Switzerland	..	..	4	..	6	51	..	6	57	..	..	..	..	..	..	58	63	5	..
Tennessee	..	1	6	..	13	92	7	3	102	2	..	..	..	..	..	105	115	10	..
Texas	..	1	3	..	8	97	5	19	121	4	..	..	2	..	..	132	129	..	3
Troy	..	1	12	2	18	180	9	54	243	10	..	..	1	..	..	261	261	..	..
Upper Iowa	..	2	7	2	17	183	23	54	260	4	1	..	..	..	..	273	277	4	..
Upper Mississippi	..	1	1	3	12	111	5	9	125	1	..	..	..	..	..	140	137	..	3
Vermont	..	1	3	1	8	67	11	21	99	3	..	..	..	..	..	116	107	..	9
Virginia	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	42	..	..	42
Washington	..	2	13	1	16	128	4	12	144	3	..	..	..	..	..	151	160	9	..
West Cent. Africa	..	..	1	..	5	7	..	3	10	1	..	..	..	..	..	13	15	2	..
West German	..	..	4	..	7	74	2	20	96	2	2	1	..	..	..	102	103	1	..
West Nebraska	..	?	5	1	11	76	6	13	95	..	1	..	1	..	..	98	106	8	..
West Texas	..	1	7	..	14	76	2	22	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	99	114	15	..
West Virginia	..	1	18	2	32	156	10	49	215	2	..	..	..	..	..	232	247	15	..
West Wisconsin	1	2	10	..	23	118	15	36	169	3	..	..	2	..	..	191	192	1	..
West'n Norw.-Dan.	1	..	2	..	4	21	..	2	23	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	27	1	..
Western Swedish	..	..	2	..	5	31	2	2	35	1	..	..	..	..	..	39	40	1	..
Wilmington	..	..	8	..	15	160	7	18	185	1	..	..	..	..	..	194	200	6	..
Wisconsin	..	..	4	..	10	139	6	34	179	5	1	..	..	..	..	186	189	3	..
Wyoming	..	3	4	..	11	178	8	47	233	3	1	..	1	..	..	250	244	..	6
Total	21	86	807	89	1805	13874	912	2719	17505	306	55	6	58	19	5	18991	19310	553	234

COLORED CONFERENCES

WE are frequently asked to which group, white or colored, certain Conferences belong. For the information of our readers we append a list of the smaller number, namely, the colored Conferences:

Atlanta, Florida, Mississippi, Tennessee,
Central Alabama, Lexington, Mobile, Texas,
Central Missouri, Lincoln, North Carolina, Upper Mississippi,
Delaware, Little Rock, Savannah, Washington,
East Tennessee, Louisiana, South Carolina, West Texas.

The South Florida Mission, organized in 1995, is also colored.

ECUMENICAL CONFERENCE

THE following action was taken by the General Conference of 1908:

We concur with the action of the Ecumenical Conference of 1901 for holding an Ecumenical Conference of all Methodism in 1911, said Conference to be held upon the American continent. The Bishops are requested to appoint a commission, consisting of two Bishops, nine ministers, and nine laymen, which commission shall notify the other Methodist denominations on the American continent of this action, requesting the appointment of similar commissions, and which, in union with such similar commissions from the other Methodisms of the American continent, shall constitute the executive committee of the Western Section. This commission shall be given full authority to arrange all details for said Conference in connection with the executive commission from the Eastern Section.

The Bishops shall appoint the delegates from the Methodist Episcopal Church, which delegation shall consist of six Bishops, two ministers, and two laymen, and as many others at large as our *pro rata* share will allow.

COMMISSION ON MINISTERIAL SUPPORT

THE General Conference of 1908 took the following action:

The Bishops are requested to appoint a commission, consisting of nine laymen, to compile statistics and gather information regarding the support of our ministers. This commission shall publish and distribute literature and place before Methodism the need of better pastoral support, and report to the General Conference of 1912.

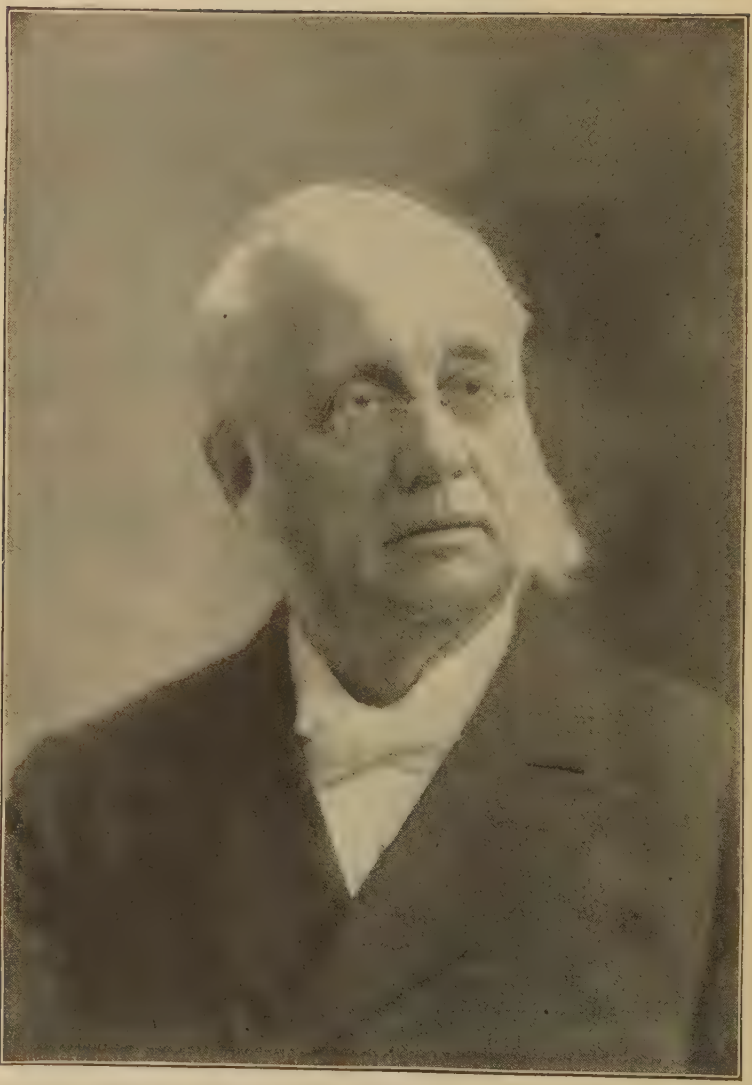
This Commission had not been named when the YEAR BOOK went to press.

TRUSTEES OF JOHN STREET CHURCH
(WESLEY CHAPEL)

IN accordance with the provisions of a special charter, granted by the Legislature of the State of New York, the Trustees of John Street Church, New York city—the first Methodist church in America—have since 1868 been elected by the General Conference. The one hundred and thirty-ninth anniversary of this historic church was celebrated with appropriate services on October 29, 1905. The membership in 1908 was: probationers, 40; full members, 269=309. The property—church and parsonage—is valued at $115,000 and is free from debt.

The Board of Trustees elected at the General Conference of 1908 is as follows:

S. W. Bowne, J. M. Bulwinkle, J. S. Coward, J. W. Crawford, Frederick Gilbert, Christian Greenwold, J. S. Huyler, J. W. Pearsall, W. W. Sibley. *President*, J. W. Pearsall. *Secretary and Treasurer*, J. M. Bulwinkle.



Bishop Edward Gayer Andrews, D.D., LL.D.

BISHOP EDWARD GAYER ANDREWS, D.D., LL.D.

Edward Gayer Andrews, in the order of election the twenty-seventh of the sixty-one general superintendents of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was born at New Hartford, N. Y., August 7, 1825, and died in Brooklyn, N. Y., December 31, 1907, in the eighty-third year of his age.

Of the eight bishops elected by the General Conference of 1872 he was the sixth. At the time of his election the following bishops whose election occurred prior to 1872 were living, namely, Morris, Janes, Scott, Simpson and Ames. Of the eight bishops elected in 1872 the venerable Bishop Bowman, the first upon whom the lot fell, alone survives. By the removal of Bishop Andrews, Bishop Warren, elected in 1880, became the senior member of the Board of Effective Bishops.

Bishop Andrews was called from the pastorate to the bishopric though he had been widely known as an educator. He was graduated from Wesleyan University in 1847 and in the following year joined what was then known as the Oneida Conference. His first appointment was Hamilton, N. Y.; the second, Cooperstown, N. Y.; the third, following a transfer, Stockbridge, Mass. Leaving the pastorate he became a teacher in the Oneida Conference Seminary at Cazenovia, N. Y., afterward principal of the Female College at Mansfield, O., and later still, in 1856, he was chosen principal of Cazenovia Seminary where he remained until 1864. In that year he was elected as a delegate to the General Conference. His transfer to the New York East Conference occurred in that year and was followed by his appointment successively to Stamford, Conn., Sands Street, Brooklyn, and Saint John's Church, Brooklyn. In 1872 he was elected bishop as we have already stated and continued in the effective relation until 1904 or for a period of thirty-two years. During this time he held nearly three hundred Conferences, having never been debarred in a single instance by illness from filling his appointments. He visited our Missions in Europe and India in 1876 and 1877, in Mexico in 1881, in Japan, Korea and China in 1889 and 1890, and was sent as a fraternal delegate to the British and Irish Conferences in 1894.

"Year after year the respect and love of the Methodist Episcopal Church for him has increased. By his writings he has shown, in advanced age, power of description, distinction and emphasis which would have excited wonder in middle life. By his keen, prompt and precise recollection of past transactions and their explanations he has illuminated the successive bishops added to the Episcopal college. In every capacity special to his office as general superintendent he has been perfect in preparation and swift and accurate in execution.

"Whether in organizing Conferences in foreign lands, representing Methodism before other Communions, solving problems of law for young ministers and laymen, debating in the standing committees of the church with the wisdom of a sage and the quick perception of a youth, he has done that which should be done and omitted that which should not be done with a uniformity hard to realize fully except by the enforced contemplation of its cessation.

"The funeral services, held in the immense New York Avenue Church, Brooklyn, were worthy of the occasion."

His mortal remains repose in the cemetery at Syracuse, N. Y.

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THE subject of this memoir was the thirty-seventh in the order of the election of general superintendents of the Methodist Episcopal Church, thirty-six having preceded him out of the fifty-three who had been elevated to that high estate prior to the General Conference of 1908. He had, at his last birthday, fulfilled the psalmist's declaration, "The days of our years are threescore years and ten." He was born at Burford, Canada, August 11, 1837, and died in New York city, March, 20, 1908.

Bishop Fowler achieved distinction not alone in the denomination that elevated him to the highest office in its gift but as an orator whose pulpit and platform efforts placed him in the front rank of the representative ecclesiastics of his day and generation. He was graduated from Genesee College, Lima, N. Y., matriculated in Garrett Biblical Institute, was graduated therefrom in 1861, in which year he was received on trial in the Rock River Conference and served the church for twelve consecutive years thereafter as the pastor of five charges in the city of Chicago, Ill. In 1873 he was elected president of Northwestern University. He was elected a delegate to the General Conference of 1872, and again to that of 1876 at which session he was elected Editor of the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. In 1880 he was elected Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society, and in 1884 Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, remaining in the effective relation until his decease. "The personality of Bishop Fowler," said the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, "was unique. President McKinley compared him in some particulars to Lincoln; he was a born wit, and, like him, would seize any form of speech as a vehicle for either wit or humor.

"The relation of Bishop Fowler to politics was peculiar. He began his career as a minister in the midst of the civil war and all his sympathies were aroused. He was captain of the Students' Home Guards in 1861, and made many speeches in support of the administration of President Lincoln. He defended the government with the greatest zeal, and his addresses aroused waves of enthusiasm that made *soldiers* —waves on which men who never imagined they would enlist were borne along until they found themselves face to face with the enemy.

"Bishop Fowler's view of salvation rested firmly on the evangelical interpretation of the plan of atonement and all through his ministry he stood for that. He abhorred the destruction of the simplicity of the gospel as it was taught by the apostles and by Christ himself.

"In Los Angeles during the General Conference of 1904 he delivered a sermon principally upon sin, its subtlety, its tyranny, its all-pervasive nature. Of those who heard it many trembled, for they knew, as he did, that 'If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us'; 'If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.' But he demonstrated that at the last analysis the hope of man is in the proclamation that 'If any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.' With that sermon imbedded in his brain, and depending wholly upon the Advocate with the Father, he departed this life."

His obsequies consisted of a prayer service at his late residence, 338 West Seventy-second Street, followed by public services in Madison Avenue Church, New York city. The remains were deposited in the receiving vault at Woodlawn Cemetery.

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Methodist circles throughout the entire country were profoundly shocked, at the tidings of the tragic fate that overtook the widely known and greatly beloved editor of the Northwestern Christian Advocate, David DeCamp Thompson, November 10, 1908, at Saint Louis, Mo., where he was sojourning during the annual session of the General Missionary Committee in that city. The accident which resulted fatally occurred at a late hour on Monday evening, but Dr. Thompson survived until half-past eight o'clock on Tuesday morning, when he ceased to work and to live. The remains were conveyed to his home at Evanston, Ill., where the funeral services were held on Thursday afternoon, November 12. Prayer was offered at the house after which the services were held in the First Methodist Episcopal Church in the presence of a large congregation of friends of the departed and his family. Addresses were delivered by the pastor of the deceased, Dr. T. P. Frost, Bishops McDowell and Berry; Drs. Herben, Nast, and Luccock; Vice-President Fairbanks, and E. R. Graham of Chicago.

Dr. Thompson was born in Cincinnati, O., April 29, 1852. He was educated in the public schools of that city, after which he entered the Ohio Wesleyan University, but owing to impaired health was compelled to withdraw from that institution. In 1887 he became the assistant editor of the Western Christian Advocate and in 1892 of the Northwestern Christian Advocate, of which the late Dr. Arthur Edwards was the editor. Dr. Edwards died in 1891, and the Book Committee appointed Dr. Thompson as his successor for the unexpired portion of the quadrennium. In 1904 the General Conference elected him editor and in 1908 he was reëlected by that body. He was noted for his alertness and enterprise in providing for the demands of the patrons of his paper. He wielded the pen of a ready writer. To the department of authorship he contributed two books, Abraham Lincoln, the First American, and John Wesley as a Social Reformer; while as a magazine writer his ability was conceded.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

THE following table shows the growth of the membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church by Conferences and Missions, for the first seven years of the twentieth century, 1901–1907 inclusive. The membership for 1900 is given, since the nineteenth century ended and the twentieth century began on the basis thus presented, thereby giving data for a seven years' comparison, namely, 1907 as against 1900.

CONFERENCES AND MISSIONS	MEMBERSHIP, INCLUDING PROBATIONERS									
	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906	1907	Inc.	Dec.
Alabama	9,424	9,182	9,155	8,961	9,089	9,251	9,087	9,351	....	73
Alaska	....	....	....	34	71	74	102	136	136	...
Andes	1,318	1,326	1,503	1,965	2,676	2,921	3,134	3,657	2,339	...
Arizona	1,120	1,142	1,170	1,160	1,321	1,410	1,464	1,534	414	...
Arkansas	5,470	6,051	5,241	5,381	5,457	5,888	5,715	5,865	395	...
Atlanta	14,840	14,380	14,432	14,761	14,727	15,173	15,064	14,833	....	7
Atlantic	1,430	1,491	1,329	1,382	1,324	1,529	1,673	1,594	164	...
Austin	3,131	3,024	3,007	3,241	3,160	3,317	3,207	3,483	352	...
Baltimore	48,984	49,583	49,796	49,651	50,670	51,336	52,330	54,365	5,381	...
Bengal	2,448	2,441	2,474	2,339	2,305	2,341	2,481	2,690	242	...
Black Hills	1,220	1,209	1,190	1,194	1,026	1,062	1,104	1,025	....	195
Blue Ridge	7,689	7,310	7,560	7,287	7,430	7,632	7,387	8,098	409	...
Bombay	6,341	6,125	9,805	12,555	14,428	12,184	14,135	15,515	9,174	...
Bulgaria	269	279	314	362	368	401	432	532	263	...
Burma	....	....	540	542	717	848	899	946	946	...
California	20,381	19,969	20,276	20,711	20,635	21,091	20,774	21,039	658	...
California German	920	905	943	1,034	1,044	1,136	1,135	1,149	229	...
Central Alabama	11,157	5,589	5,829	5,757	6,291	5,399	5,194	5,447	....	5,710
Central China	4,000	4,802	6,154	1,991	1,981	1,946	2,087	2,065	....	1,944
Central German	14,525	14,229	14,269	14,232	14,154	14,237	14,359	14,206	....	319
Central Illinois	37,403	37,386	37,557	37,269	37,009	38,223	39,353	41,191	3,788	...
Central Missouri	7,115	7,686	7,968	6,254	6,480	6,738	7,417	7,566	451	...
Central New York	40,957	40,751	40,517	40,301	40,073	40,738	41,843	41,304	347	...
Central Ohio	50,865	51,887	52,927	52,998	53,617	55,617	57,003	56,130	5,265	...
Central Pennsylvania	68,887	69,636	70,081	70,384	70,983	72,499	73,986	73,924	5,037	...
Central Provinces	....	....	....	....	....	2,902	3,125	3,949	3,949	...
Central Swedish	5,523	5,713	5,888	5,963	6,113	6,332	6,351	6,510	987	...
Central Tennessee	7,383	7,044	7,105	7,104	7,235	7,713	7,512	7,577	194	...
Chicago German	9,101	9,220	9,197	9,343	9,474	9,437	9,481	9,552	451	...
Chinese	....	....	....	....	....	232	270	275	275	...
Cincinnati	54,602	54,653	54,638	53,565	54,251	55,083	55,548	55,116	514	...
Colorado	16,427	17,434	18,505	20,343	20,302	21,586	22,618	25,602	9,175	...
Columbia River	9,474	9,770	10,742	12,063	13,495	13,324	14,897	15,322	5,848	...
Dakota	11,353	11,420	11,218	11,444	11,969	12,476	13,071	13,402	2,049	...
Delaware	21,770	21,909	21,980	21,969	22,484	22,844	24,328	24,142	2,372	...
Denmark	3,440	3,489	3,465	3,407	3,408	3,523	3,526	3,701	261	...
Des Moines	51,439	50,781	51,881	51,734	51,866	52,569	54,234	53,342	1,903	...
Detroit	52,385	53,681	53,500	53,901	53,747	55,978	56,001	56,629	4,244	...
East Central Africa	....	254	246	457	457	1,008	1,008	1,522	1,522	...
East German	5,424	5,538	5,473	5,525	5,423	5,378	5,402	5,332	....	92
East Maine	10,027	9,637	9,600	9,375	9,354	9,554	9,583	9,674	....	353
East Ohio	73,634	74,038	76,182	77,222	78,894	80,307	81,558	83,099	9,465	...
East Oklahoma	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2,303	2,303	...
East Tennessee	5,125	5,044	4,770	4,803	5,066	5,192	5,066	5,281	156	...
Eastern Swedish	....	....	3,709	3,900	4,073	4,085	4,131	4,337	4,337	...
Erie	46,426	46,686	47,288	48,173	49,012	49,850	50,133	50,689	4,263	...
Finland & St. Petersb'g	955	977	1,012	1,048	1,088	1,208	1,268	1,320	365	...
Florida	5,032	4,968	5,013	5,176	5,148	5,394	5,158	5,181	149	...
Foochow	9,147	9,147	8,958	9,571	10,909	12,121	12,785	12,943	3,796	...
Genesee	43,112	43,562	43,929	44,343	43,645	44,272	45,449	46,037	2,925	...
Georgia	3,500	3,622	3,489	3,469	3,492	3,579	3,564	3,408	....	92
Gulf	2,079	2,202	2,388	2,663	3,227	3,261	3,765	3,838	1,759	...

Conferences and Missions	Membership, including Probationers									
	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906	1907	Inc.	Dec.
Hinghua	5,134	4,641	3,919	3,919	3,927	4,161	4,515	5,133	....	1
Hawaii	....	....	....	....	....	761	761	994	994	...
Holston	24,220	24,281	23,699	25,201	25,362	25,747	26,735	31,633	7,413	...
Idaho	1,643	1,867	2,179	2,533	2,842	4,227	4,633	4,760	3,117	...
Illinois	66,996	67,660	68,422	66,736	66,803	69,090	71,370	74,137	7,141	...
Indiana	88,707	88,825	90,874	92,182	91,938	92,802	94,748	96,708	8,001	...
Indian Territory	....	....	....	....	....	1,427	1,811	....	....	...
Iowa	32,941	33,197	32,908	32,547	32,428	33,027	33,629	34,697	1,756	...
Italy	2,278	2,354	2,457	2,742	2,705	3,374	3,449	3,689	1,411	...
Japan	4,532	4,744	5,272	5,160	5,172	5,289	5,473	5,557	1,025	...
Kalispell	....	305	370	414	496	508	494	584	584	...
Kansas	27,301	27,243	28,233	28,115	27,662	27,886	29,055	29,917	2,616	...
Kentucky	23,531	22,818	23,173	24,308	24,233	25,302	25,018	24,467	936	...
Korea	3,897	4,768	5,855	6,915	6,985	7,796	12,790	23,455	19,558	...
Lexington	10,321	10,551	10,904	10,927	10,976	10,739	11,132	11,386	1,065	...
Liberia	3,803	3,294	3,274	3,174	3,301	3,291	3,438	3,996	193	...
Lincoln	....	....	....	2,041	2,029	2,364	2,497	2,417	2,417	...
Little Rock	4,920	5,354	5,538	5,574	5,917	5,553	5,940	6,077	1,157	...
Louisiana	14,006	14,592	15,999	16,295	16,378	17,930	20,041	20,041	6,035	...
Maine	11,962	11,830	11,906	11,959	11,721	11,625	11,839	12,129	167	...
Malaysia	725	1,848	3,493	6,377	8,519	1,759	2,008	2,310	1,585	...
Mexico	6,155	5,435	5,335	5,489	5,749	6,032	6,106	5,927	772	...
Michigan	52,883	52,929	53,773	53,758	53,257	54,768	54,733	54,716	1,833	...
Minnesota	16,671	17,043	17,102	17,375	16,856	17,679	19,467	19,229	2,558	...
Mississippi	17,307	19,132	19,874	19,831	21,004	21,860	21,796	22,721	5,414	...
Missouri	28,040	27,798	28,951	29,270	28,914	29,667	29,775	29,197	1,157	...
Mobile	....	6,110	5,804	5,515	5,205	5,742	5,945	6,217	6,217	...
Montana	3,493	3,561	3,482	3,581	3,622	4,094	4,433	4,261	768	...
Nebraska	26,169	26,074	26,487	26,756	26,408	26,684	27,022	27,984	1,815	...
Nevada	1,209	1,193	1,100	1,048	1,001	1,010	1,087	1,300	91	...
New England	44,245	43,422	43,301	42,720	42,827	42,303	42,667	43,475	....	770
New England Southern	23,596	23,764	23,158	23,348	23,355	23,439	23,769	23,781	185	...
New Hampshire	14,710	14,830	14,449	14,180	14,216	14,171	14,454	14,817	107	...
New Jersey	55,787	56,228	55,515	55,673	56,639	56,256	57,882	57,622	1,835	...
New Mexico English	924	1,039	1,117	1,218	1,227	1,470	1,512	1,777	853	...
New Mexico Spanish	2,439	2,552	2,704	2,757	2,736	2,976	3,117	3,104	665	...
New York	59,604	59,407	58,324	57,204	57,430	58,857	59,988	59,617	13	...
New York East	65,628	66,772	65,673	66,585	67,861	68,600	71,418	72,579	6,951	...
Newark	49,098	49,944	49,950	51,304	51,601	52,501	54,685	54,899	5,801	...
North Andes	....	....	....	....	....	246	400	415	415	...
North Carolina	11,469	11,377	11,055	11,620	11,257	10,960	11,106	11,606	137	...
North China	6,454	4,216	4,216	3,795	4,238	5,301	5,733	6,316	....	138
North Dakota	6,028	6,557	6,992	7,400	7,735	8,367	8,628	9,491	3,463	...
North Germany	8,759	9,233	9,690	10,075	10,512	11,025	12,088	12,493	3,734	...
North India	33,018	30,994	31,344	30,329	31,128	33,154	34,637	36,138	3,120	...
North Indiana	59,477	58,846	60,663	60,471	61,590	62,835	66,174	66,784	7,307	...
North Montana	944	1,069	1,171	1,287	1,134	1,239	1,179	1,197	253	...
North Nebraska	14,522	14,645	15,293	15,415	15,120	15,575	16,136	16,039	1,517	...
North Ohio	35,759	35,769	36,283	37,173	37,469	38,051	38,605	39,184	3,425	...
Northern German	6,237	6,074	6,010	6,159	6,226	6,242	6,286	6,139	....	98
Northern Minnesota	14,991	15,452	16,227	16,568	17,162	17,940	18,863	19,057	4,066	...
Northern New York	32,406	32,231	31,981	31,850	31,287	31,002	31,281	31,513	....	893
Northern Swedish	2,749	2,866	2,879	2,888	2,997	3,097	3,101	3,150	401	...
Northwest German	4,788	5,134	4,793	4,809	4,808	4,829	4,802	4,807	19	...
Northwest India	33,914	36,501	39,323	42,784	43,541	48,848	50,355	54,094	20,180	...
Northwest Indiana	41,087	40,446	40,738	40,743	40,866	41,900	43,071	44,620	3,533	...
Northwest Iowa	24,176	24,303	24,545	24,683	24,347	24,181	24,415	24,242	66	...
Northwest Kansas	15,021	15,243	15,560	15,680	15,598	15,904	16,187	17,404	2,383	...
Northwest Nebraska	2,619	2,456	2,469	2,429	2,644	2,731	2,907	2,758	139	...
Norway	6,053	5,960	5,894	5,834	5,895	6,308	6,335	6,221	168	...
Norwegian and Danish	5,016	4,936	5,100	5,084	5,289	5,400	5,501	5,426	410	...
Ohio	73,035	74,489	75,989	75,517	75,578	76,871	79,080	78,464	5,429	...
Oklahoma	11,400	12,541	14,054	16,355	17,663	16,753	18,503	19,291	7,891	...
Oregon	11,018	11,311	11,367	11,956	12,507	13,720	13,695	14,629	3,611	...
Pacific German	935	1,036	1,106	1,211	1,253	1,378	1,445	1,484	549	...
Pacific Japanese	....	1,039	1,108	1,271	1,613	905	799	864	864	...
Philadelphia	76,636	77,800	79,068	79,764	81,277	82,347	84,609	85,704	9,068	...
Philippine Islands	....	....	....	....	....	12,866	14,924	20,678	20,678	...

Conferences and Missions	Membership, including Probationers									
	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906	1907	Inc.	Dec.
Pittsburg	60,823	62,377	64,103	65,437	67,538	69,168	71,825	73,799	12,976	...
Porto Rico	....	....	835	957	1,203	1,449	1,924	2,524	2,524	...
Puget Sound	9,454	10,029	10,975	12,335	13,452	14,818	15,501	16,960	7,506	...
Rock River	53,118	54,379	55,620	56,389	58,072	59,023	60,399	61,584	8,466	...
Saint Johns River	1,160	1,119	1,094	1,141	1,134	1,189	1,323	1,370	210	...
Saint Louis	31,814	32,288	32,663	32,950	33,687	34,356	36,473	36,573	4,759	...
Saint Louis German	11,543	11,414	11,114	10,923	11,138	11,046	10,966	10,933	....	610
Savannah	8,208	8,411	8,167	8,661	8,494	8,768	8,303	8,456	248	...
South America	3,666	3,415	3,639	3,956	4,335	4,198	4,404	4,775	1,109	...
South Carolina	48,498	49,299	51,188	51,569	53,425	51,827	52,170	53,873	5,375	...
South Florida	....	....	....	....	....	....	757	850	850	...
South Germany	9,909	10,082	10,412	10,554	10,708	11,148	11,410	11,596	1,687	...
South India	1,820	1,974	2,008	2,109	2,625	2,279	2,984	3,432	1,612	...
South Japan	1,088	1,150	1,289	1,566	1,300	1,259	1,404	1,507	419	...
South Kansas	25,914	26,384	27,381	28,154	29,107	29,467	30,834	31,366	5,452	...
Southern California	15,794	16,620	18,322	20,094	21,665	25,191	26,925	29,723	13,929	...
Southern German	2,684	2,786	2,819	2,892	3,042	3,131	3,085	3,123	439	...
Southern Illinois	40,548	40,793	40,858	41,948	42,577	44,063	45,274	46,813	6,266	...
Southwest Kansas	24,136	24,655	25,591	26,207	26,683	27,136	28,742	29,423	5,287	...
Sweden	17,268	17,227	17,077	17,288	16,952	17,082	17,577	17,582	314	...
Switzerland	8,420	8,591	8,713	9,007	9,083	9,114	9,313	9,419	999	...
Tennessee	9,539	9,703	10,124	9,965	9,880	9,914	9,360	9,384	....	155
Texas	15,423	15,057	15,779	15,596	15,434	15,829	14,472	15,151	....	272
Troy	49,088	48,639	48,907	48,961	48,974	49,518	49,483	49,289	201	...
Upper Iowa	37,824	37,420	37,219	37,031	36,681	36,714	37,341	37,461	....	363
Upper Mississippi	22,815	22,558	21,907	20,642	22,509	21,719	21,690	22,256	....	559
Utah	1,665	1,836	1,640	1,534	1,470	1,514	1,374	1,540	....	125
Vermont	13,154	13,292	13,174	12,924	13,173	13,056	13,072	12,927	....	227
Virginia	10,735	10,705	10,243	9,919	9,711	9,836	9,759	....	....	10735
Washington	30,754	30,408	29,411	30,042	30,317	30,621	30,495	30,428	....	326
West Central Africa	....	196	86	197	197	252	252	330	330	...
West China	337	337	922	1,289	1,607	2,302	2,658	3,330	2,993	...
West German	6,599	6,735	6,756	6,593	6,814	6,872	6,856	6,825	226	...
West Nebraska	10,362	9,222	10,211	10,419	10,506	10,668	11,106	11,778	1,416	...
West Texas	12,062	13,120	12,949	12,624	11,548	11,548	11,460	11,460	....	602
West Virginia	54,613	53,815	55,024	54,822	55,447	56,259	56,174	58,956	4,343	...
West Wisconsin	22,538	22,107	21,900	21,690	21,836	22,659	22,630	22,652	114	...
Western Norw.-Danish	547	545	592	610	658	700	725	819	272	...
Western Swedish	2,330	2,419	2,555	2,572	2,580	2,684	2,786	2,788	458	...
Wilmington	42,946	41,810	42,442	42,074	41,566	41,915	42,540	42,165	....	781
Wisconsin	22,164	22,119	22,819	23,274	23,056	23,397	23,596	23,906	1,742	...
Wyoming	46,804	46,844	46,744	47,412	47,190	47,980	49,945	51,127	4,323	...
Wyoming Mission	1,072	1,234	1,318	1,293	1,561	1,652	1,693	1,775	703	...
Total	2928883	2952234	3000265	3031918	3070121	3148292	3234524	3307275	403832	25440
Increase	...	23351	48061	31623	38203	78171	86232	72751	....	....

The net increase of 1907 over 1900 is 378,392, equaling 12.812 per cent. The minimum gain was in 1901; the maximum in 1906. Gains were made by 137 Conferences and Missions; losses were sustained by 25. The loss in Central Alabama Conference was occasioned by a division of its territory, the Mobile Conference having been formed out of it in 1901. Of the foreign Conferences, Philippine Islands registers the largest gain, 20,678, while Southern California leads the domestic Conferences with a gain of 13,929.

The deaths, 1901–1907 inclusive, aggregated 280,132; the total ingathering was therefore 658,524, or 22.484 per cent.

NOTES ON THE CONFERENCES

The report of the East Central Africa Mission Conference indicates a marvelous increase of prosperity for the year, the gain in membership of 1,080 being 70.9 per cent. The redemption of Africa draws nigh.

A word of explanation concerning the large decrease, namely 3,597, in the membership of the Louisiana Conference in 1908. The decrease was indicated to us in the statistical returns made to the Conference in 1907, but the statistical tables were so chaotic that we could not prepare them in an intelligent form for the General Minutes. We, therefore, in our despair, repeated in the items pertaining to membership —probationers and full members—the figures of 1906. Thus the decrease was left to be indicated in 1908.

A notable increase in nearly every item makes the records of the Upper Mississippi Conference peculiarly interesting.

The Arkansas Conference furnishes an exceedingly encouraging statistical report for 1908, the gain in membership being 12 per cent.

Nevada Mission suffered a loss of 132 members by the transfer of 3 charges to the Oregon Conference owing to the change of boundaries by the General Conference, despite which fact it reported an increase of 364 members, or 28 per cent.

East Oklahoma Mission gives evidence of great vigor. The net increase in membership of 683 equals 29.6 per cent. The collections for official benevolences increased $680, or 56.1 per cent.

Indiana Conference, the largest in membership of our Conferences, now numbers 2,401 probationers and 96,992 full members—a total of 99,393. We expect the membership to be represented by six figures in 1909.

The decrease of $10,141 in the Newark Conference collection for Conference Claimants in 1908 is due to the fact that we credited the "Murphy Fund" to that collection in 1907, as it came in the No. 3 tables for that year.

Northwest India Conference with an increase of 5,044 members continues to illustrate the growth of our Church in the far East. The per cent of increase is 9.33 per cent.

The Holston Conference with churches and parsonages valued at $935,615 has an indebtedness of only $21,797 or 2.3 per cent, leaving the net value $913,818. This is a splendid record. And by the way there is a note of optimism running through the entire statistics of the Conference for 1908: *ex. gr.*, increase in membership 1,999, in Sunday school membership 2,237, and in the value of churches and parsonages $80,745.

West Nebraska Conference reports an increase in probationers of 15 and in full members of 1,366, an aggregate gain of 1,381, or 11.7 per cent.

A very large gain in membership is registered by the Illinois Conference, namely, 4,777. This is the greatest gain achieved by any of our domestic Conferences and is exceeded only by that of the

Philippine Islands Conference with its increase of 6,924, and the Northwest India Conference with a gain of 5,044.

In 1907 Bishop Burt organized the "France Mission." At the first Annual Meeting held in August, 1908, 188 probationers and 33 full members were reported by the Statistical Secretary. This is an exceedingly gratifying exhibit and we believe it is prophetic of a vigorous growth of Methodism on the soil of the French Republic.

The 25th anniversary of the organization of the Finland and Saint Petersburg Mission—now a Mission Conference—was celebrated in 1908 with great rejoicing by our ministers and people within the bounds of that vigorous Conference. Elsewhere in the YEAR BOOK we present a picture of the three pioneer deaconesses forming the staff of the Methodist Deaconess Home at Veile, the first to be organized under the auspices of the Bethany Society of Denmark.

The North Germany, the Switzerland and the Norway Conferences used the old form blank No. 4 instead of the form adopted after the consolidation of the Benevolent Collections, in consequence of which we were obliged to make an arbitrary division of the sums reported for Missions and some of the other benevolences, in order to credit them with the full amount of their contributions.

Some of our Missions give evidence of pronounced prosperity. For example: Porto Rico increased 893 in membership, or 35.3 per cent; Hawaiian 262, or 26.3 per cent; North Andes 119, or 28.6 per cent; East Oklahoma 683, or 29.6 per cent. The foundations for great Conferences are surely being laid in these promising fields.

KANSAS AND NEBRASKA METHODISM

That Methodism in Kansas is a plant of sturdy growth is apparent from the following figures:

	MEMBERSHIP CHURCH		MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL	
	1907	1908	1907	1908
Kansas Conference	29,917	30,882	31,180	32,333
Northwest Kansas Conf.	17,404	19,940	20,518	22,626
South " "	31,366	32,554	31,639	32,572
Southwest " "	29,423	31,096	31,045	33,656
	108,110	114,472	114,382	121,187

It will be seen that the gain in church membership, 1908 over 1907, is 6,362, or 5.88 per cent, and in Sunday school membership 6,805, or 5.95 per cent.

While the Nebraska Conferences do not present quite as favorable an exhibit as the Kansas Conferences the record is nevertheless an inspiring one. The aggregate membership of the four Conferences was: 1907, 58,559; 1908, 61,372; gain 2,813, or 4.82 per cent. West Nebraska's increase was phenomenal, namely, 1,381, or 11.73 per cent. The Sunday school membership of the four Conferences increased 3,025, or 4.79 per cent over 1907.

A splendid record is that made by the Dakota Conference for 1908. Let a few of the increases attest this statement: Members, 1,374, or 10.25 per cent; Sunday school membership, 2,325, or 10.43 per cent;

churches, 5; parsonages, 6. By the way, an unusual fact is revealed by the statistics of this sturdy Conference, namely, the very great excess of Sunday school membership over church membership; the former being 21,798, the latter 14,776. Usually the two items are closely related numerically to each other but here the ratio of church membership to Sunday school membership is only 67.8.

The statistics of the California Conference, which have hitherto included the Swedish work, are minus that item this year, owing to the organization of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference, and the transfer to it of the Swedish District with its ministers, charges, membership, Sunday schools, churches, etc. These data will be found properly tabulated in the General Minutes and in this issue of the YEAR BOOK.

Pittsburg Conference registers an increase in Church membership in 1908 of 2,138, and in Sunday school membership of 2,651.

CONFERENCES, MISSION CONFERENCES AND MISSIONS, 1908

I. Conferences.—The whole number of Annual Conferences at the close of 1908 is 133, as against 131 at the close of 1907. Of the 133 Conferences 114 are domestic and 19 foreign. Korea and Philippine Islands were organized as Annual Conferences in 1908, the former by Bishop Harris, the latter by Bishop Robinson.

II. Mission Conferences.—These are 12 in number, 3 of which are domestic and 9 foreign. Alphabetically arranged they are: Atlantic, Bulgaria, Burma, Central China, Central Provinces, Denmark, East Central Africa, Finland and Saint Petersburg, New Mexico Spanish, Pacific Swedish (organized by Bishop Warren, September 2, 1908), West Central Africa, West China.

III. Missions.—There are 15 of these organizations as against 16 in 1907. 11 of them are domestic and 4 are foreign. Alphabetically arranged they are: Alaska, Arizona, Black Hills, East Oklahoma, France, Hawaiian, Nevada, New Mexico English, North Andes, Pacific Chinese (so named by action of the General Conference of 1908), Pacific Japanese, Porto Rico, South Florida, Utah, Wyoming.

STATISTICAL TABLES

THE statistical tables herewith presented are for 1908. The returns of the Spring Conferences are complete. The returns of Conferences held late in November and December are those of 1907, as indicated in footnote. It will be observed that we have added two columns to these tables, giving the total Sunday school membership, and also the number of Probationers and Full Members, separately, together with the totals of the two classes of members, by Conferences and Missions.

SPRING CONFERENCES AND MISSIONS, 1908

1908 SPRING CONFERENCES AND MISSIONS	The Ministry		Lay Membership			Sunday Schools				Church Property			
	In full Connection and on Trial	Local Preachers	Probationers	Full Members	Total Membership	Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Total Sunday School Membership	Churches	Probable Value	Parsonages	Probable Value
Andes	41	29	1,903	2,047	3,950	57	291	4,338	4,629	17	$85,167	7	$4,667
Arkansas	54	80	682	5,992	6,574	74	646	4,424	5,070	83	130,355	38	31,790
Baltimore	244	102	3,650	50,977	54,627	448	7,178	58,049	65,227	456	4,324,150	156	594,200
Bengal	27	28	2,186	1,242	3,428	95	194	4,572	4,766	17	56,925	16	37,650
Bombay	31	87	14,465	1,837	16,302	546	555	21,208	21,763	21	86,130	24	69,192
Central Missouri	77	59	1,113	6,555	7,668	95	595	3,799	4,394	120	276,908	57	26,856
Central Pennsylvania	305	109	5,806	69,315	75,121	628	9,086	73,290	82,376	626	3,708,385	228	630,510
Delaware	145	224	2,706	21,693	24,399	282	2,352	19,634	21,986	284	732,850	110	114,037
East Germany	59	33	409	4,839	5,248	62	905	5,952	6,857	61	828,500	43	185,200
East Maine	100	47	1,180	8,750	9,930	202	1,836	12,103	13,939	162	623,312	91	149,300
Eastern Swedish	32	18	401	3,988	4,389	35	508	3,448	3,956	31	438,660	9	37,000
Florida	78	138	481	4,490	4,971	86	454	3,918	4,372	84	108,075	20	16,225
Foochow	95	242	6,560	7,110	13,670	177	354	6,100	6,454	117	43,810	16	2,905
Hinghua	47	116	2,047	3,502	5,549	158	249	4,073	4,322	112	37,690	27	6,025
Italy	46	23	844	2,825	3,669	116	105	1,982	2,087	16	185,800	15	166,100
Kansas	203	82	2,755	28,127	30,882	271	3,907	28,426	32,333	268	979,360	130	212,050
Korea	39	48	18,946	5,298	24,244	167	513	14,967	15,480	241	55,629	29	53,010
Lexington	124	157	1,489	10,452	11,941	158	933	6,930	7,863	162	366,575	79	52,610
Liberia	42	72	1,103	3,194	4,297	62	690	3,229	3,919	42	130,018	14	13,900
Lincoln	49	59	158	2,346	2,504	69	378	1,981	2,359	60	67,832	26	12,765
Little Rock	89	125	508	5,640	6,148	116	658	4,292	4,950	101	117,275	44	18,928
Louisiana	181	508	1,722	14,722	16,444	242	1,201	11,169	12,370	229	406,776	133	77,875
Maine	122	38	1,309	10,344	11,653	146	1,742	13,134	14,876	151	667,700	92	174,750
Malaysia	27	74	1,159	1,530	2,689	41	113	1,325	1,438	18	59,600	11	29,600
Mexico	43	42	3,001	2,859	5,860	73	262	3,674	3,936	51	380,630	36	256,735
Mississippi	143	323	2,515	21,495	24,010	284	1,650	13,987	15,637	280	270,764	79	47,370
Newark	252	106	3,108	52,283	55,391	318	5,958	49,392	55,350	311	4,427,250	201	841,700
New England	282	143	4,098	40,089	44,187	254	5,501	41,800	47,301	246	5,146,700	169	651,180
New England Southern	177	59	2,118	22,091	24,209	202	3,402	23,635	27,037	202	2,023,900	143	338,520
New Hampshire	127	45	1,007	13,772	14,779	152	1,946	13,967	15,913	137	871,800	98	193,175
New Jersey	230	251	3,822	53,991	57,813	365	6,781	53,237	60,018	345	4,004,150	206	686,675

New York	303	121	3,868	56,482	60,350	427	5,485	40,646	46,131	428	6,618,400	241	1,047,839
New York East	328	203	5,987	67,629	73,616	324	7,701	63,135	70,836	316	8,391,050	236	1,352,400
North German	91	54	4,276	8,616	12,886	207	1,003	11,817	12,820	71	877,002	26	47,531
North India	100	282	22,457	15,527	37,984	1,122	1,233	47,066	48,299	118	75,343	246	80,738
North Indiana	287	200	6,645	60,521	67,166	486	7,651	60,176	67,827	491	2,673,100	210	416,925
Northern New York	223	49	2,524	28,702	31,226	303	4,090	28,853	32,943	304	1,756,225	191	355,250
Northwest India	74	258	37,652	21,486	59,138	1,329	1,070	63,076	64,146	68	96,817	61	56,165
Northwest Kansas	145	67	3,316	16,624	19,940	247	2,794	19,832	22,626	193	534,525	118	158,050
Norway	52	66	436	5,618	6,054	53	594	8,510	9,104	51	249,709	5	24,111
Philadelphia	349	299	5,801	80,257	86,058	404	9,828	95,942	105,770	394	8,359,419	225	1,068,050
Philippine Islands	42	526	15,052	12,550	27,602	103	.....	6,248	6,248	120	158,364	....	.....
Saint Johns River	23	8	117	1,301	1,418	25	253	1,928	2,181	30	213,740	21	64,500
Saint Louis	207	143	3,200	34,278	37,478	300	3,806	31,258	35,064	380	1,773,265	128	195,220
South America	38	46	1,964	3,144	5,108	80	373	5,434	5,807	39	395,970	13	85,183
South Germany	103	139	1,696	10,112	11,808	317	1,002	14,095	15,097	123	842,195	....	.....
South India	32	46	3,136	1,219	4,355	280	372	9,425	9,797	20	35,717	20	35,788
South Kansas	173	66	3,278	29,276	32,554	284	3,723	28,849	32,572	286	894,000	122	197,900
Southwest Kansas	187	91	2,714	28,382	31,096	301	3,948	29,708	33,656	270	977,250	139	191,900
Sweden	127	166	1,482	15,948	17,430	192	1,262	18,102	19,364	144	681,414	38	147,154
Switzerland	66	19	912	8,442	9,354	254	1,385	21,005	22,390	60	632,685	19	125,718
Troy	285	87	3,233	46,400	49,633	350	5,306	40,000	45,306	358	2,650,200	234	494,410
Upper Mississippi	138	425	2,842	20,999	23,841	291	1,597	12,535	14,132	276	236,985	56	29,890
Vermont	109	38	864	11,546	12,410	160	1,746	10,881	12,627	152	642,650	105	174,650
Washington	162	267	2,701	28,381	31,082	351	2,676	22,576	25,252	329	1,240,617	101	150,051
Wilmington	198	103	4,664	38,826	43,490	395	5,782	44,475	50,257	390	1,879,350	152	328,750
Wyoming	237	115	3,703	47,015	50,718	431	6,083	47,660	53,743	422	2,598,450	212	513,580
MISSION CONFERENCES													
Bulgaria	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
Burma	7	12	458	553	1,011	28	78	1,425	1,503	4	57,990	4	9,450
Central Provinces	24	43	2,288	1,288	3,576	190	245	6,929	7,174	14	13,200	19	39,630
Central China	42	47	620	1,132	1,752	34	.....	1,361	1,361	40	48,327	59	123,290
Denmark	24	17	270	3,501	3,771	37	326	3,929	4,255	29	205,651	16	52,677
East Central Africa	11	1	2,110	492	2,602	65	170	3,207	3,377	49	40,918	18	32,735
Finland and Saint Petersburg	24	20	290	1,077	1,367	40	154	2,821	2,975	9	105,393	6	6,000
West Central Africa	14	.....	142	187	329	12	38	543	581	14	18,550	13	22,950
West China	22	13	1,533	1,578	3,111	95	178	3,336	3,514	15	20,270	14	49,735
MISSIONS													
France	.....	.....	188	33	221	2	3	24	27	....	.....	....	.....
Hawaiian	.....	.....	645	611	1,256	32	138	1,237	1,375	16	49,980	6	14,000
North Andes	.....	7	358	176	534	14	57	665	722	1	30,000	....	.....
Porto Rico	.....	14	1,950	1,467	3,417	53	136	3,109	3,245	35	103,775	5	6,625
South Florida	.....	32	109	767	876	17	91	744	835	16	22,750	7	5,050
Total	7,779	7,548	248,726	1,195,428	1,444,164	15,616	143,320	1,324,597	1,467,917	11,126	77,843,922	5,433	13,426,395

FALL CONFERENCES

1908 FALL CONFERENCES AND MISSIONS	The Ministry		Lay Membership			Sunday Schools				Church Property			
	In full Connection and on Trial	Local Preachers	Probationers	Full Members	Total Membership	Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Total Sunday School Membership	Churches	Probable Value	Parsonages	Probable Value
Alabama[1]	60	131	442	8,909	9,351	116	709	5,646	6,355	184	$168,140	17	$7,650
Atlanta[1]	91	214	1,118	13,715	14,833	150	1,073	9,280	10,353	147	215,390	49	19,579
Austin[1]	41	32	275	3,208	3,483	43	390	3,073	3,463	43	268,050	25	46,550
Blue Ridge	39	62	292	7,890	8,182	130	731	6,622	7,353	155	114,685	23	17,500
California	299	127	1,554	20,544	22,098	262	2,854	24,003	26,857	241	1,934,480	149	295,650
California German	25	11	95	1,077	1,172	19	192	939	1,131	19	275,000	19	54,250
Central Alabama[1]	60	153	344	5,103	5,447	101	458	3,313	3,771	96	85,435	31	14,950
Central German	125	66	482	13,623	14,105	142	2,112	11,365	13,477	151	920,200	97	207,985
Central Illinois	259	66	1,622	40,851	42,473	357	5,083	38,905	43,988	369	1,857,375	185	391,950
Central New York	251	85	1,698	40,235	41,933	341	4,855	36,346	41,201	323	2,423,075	192	386,905
Central Ohio	248	105	1,853	54,705	56,558	403	6,739	54,055	60,794	404	2,453,150	147	303,600
Central Swedish	54	45	387	6,231	6,618	57	807	6,650	7,457	56	458,200	33	121,600
Central Tennessee	42	44	140	7,295	7,435	91	492	4,329	4,821	127	136,760	27	19,525
Chicago German	85	40	788	8,720	9,508	104	1,300	6,318	7,618	114	581,300	68	174,250
Cincinnati	213	102	1,740	53,246	54,986	345	5,436	42,751	48,187	362	2,714,280	154	401,200
Colorado	203	76	1,771	26,236	28,007	230	3,145	29,064	32,209	183	1,602,975	118	232,000
Columbia River	136	76	1,174	15,391	16,565	197	1,895	17,183	19,078	184	808,085	101	145,450
Dakota	151	55	973	13,803	14,776	250	2,363	19,435	21,798	196	696,530	116	208,725
Des Moines	278	122	1,731	52,114	53,845	485	5,934	44,238	50,172	457	1,925,080	204	398,950
Detroit	380	212	3,238	54,355	57,593	610	7,669	64,011	71,680	552	3,334,425	272	512,300
East Ohio	306	151	1,961	79,460	81,421	567	8,755	73,467	82,222	565	4,225,350	203	578,300
East Tennessee	61	50	447	4,765	5,212	105	551	4,492	5,043	91	178,959	37	17,776
Erie	243	103	2,108	50,113	52,221	473	6,132	45,928	52,060	470	2,448,700	195	453,450
Genesee	283	114	2,014	44,453	46,467	404	5,850	48,192	54,042	397	3,531,250	244	594,308
Georgia[1]	21	36	99	3,309	3,408	51	304	2,637	2,941	71	65,600	15	14,450
Gulf[1]	39	78	393	3,445	3,838	65	410	3,369	3,779	55	129,650	18	19,950
Holston	156	192	1,480	32,152	33,632	431	3,085	28,442	31,527	440	834,600	71	100,955
Idaho	56	18	498	4,788	5,286	79	782	6,649	7,431	52	214,532	41	55,151
Illinois	396	119	2,846	76,068	78,914	552	7,893	63,283	71,176	565	3,182,400	258	565,525
Indiana	358	230	2,401	96,992	99,393	713	8,256	68,040	76,296	760	2,918,067	227	377,700
Iowa	179	50	1,203	34,304	35,507	315	3,888	31,000	34,888	332	1,274,035	128	238,602
Kentucky	94	129	1,873	22,412	24,285	253	2,211	18,088	20,299	302	606,320	68	100,340
Michigan	374	176	2,815	51,174	53,989	640	8,058	59,082	67,140	610	2,469,969	296	450,075

Minnesota	174	55	979	18,265	19,244	217	2,379	18,152	20,531	225	1,102,315	109	208,550
Missouri	149	62	1,171	28,685	29,856	293	3,408	23,854	27,262	332	1,002,594	115	153,480
Mobile[1]	48	116	639	5,578	6,217	85	492	3,752	4,244	87	98,475	23	11,900
Montana	55	19	331	3,815	4,146	65	640	5,839	6,479	55	276,600	44	81,950
Nebraska	213	96	1,446	27,624	29,070	247	3,374	26,049	29,423	245	968,600	146	233,950
North Carolina[2]	79	119	1,228	10,378	11,606	188	1,147	9,594	10,741	183	236,685	37	26,000
North China[2]	61	58	1,851	4,465	6,316	69	.....	3,942	3,942	118	21,900	13	235,423
North Dakota	146	34	640	9,281	9,921	219	1,787	13,877	15,664	170	613,605	103	162,708
North Montana	31	9	181	1,759	1,940	63	435	3,095	3,530	47	130,700	28	36,300
North Nebraska	137	33	852	15,546	16,398	178	2,104	15,910	18,014	165	702,000	108	169,210
North Ohio	201	71	1,241	38,598	39,839	316	4,879	38,655	43,534	314	1,848,100	126	259,850
Northern German	61	35	483	5,751	6,234	96	1,053	5,017	6,070	97	329 975	46	90,300
Northern Minnesota	173	70	1,480	18,196	19,676	282	2,659	23,905	26,564	242	1,453,825	103	176,675
Northern Swedish	36	20	168	2,952	3,120	65	454	3,246	3,700	70	242,725	42	66,250
Northwest German	61	27	460	4,304	4,764	77	866	4,075	4,941	77	198,875	44	87,800
Northwest Indiana	194	75	1,028	43,755	44,783	334	4,815	43,061	47,876	343	1,864,750	136	303,400
Northwest Iowa	225	60	1,376	23,204	24,580	288	3,409	25,590	28,999	286	1,098,400	166	260,825
Northwest Nebraska	31	6	225	2,520	2,745	61	490	3,090	3,580	34	66,400	24	28,250
Norwegian and Danish	64	71	378	4,849	5,227	72	628	4,088	4,716	93	349,575	48	75,900
Ohio	278	130	2,131	77,227	79,358	620	8,265	62,929	71,194	628	2,882,100	166	371,780
Oklahoma	189	104	1,012	19,500	20,512	266	2,771	22,149	24,920	203	484,200	118	124,614
Oregon	148	90	1,025	15,173	16,198	180	2,015	16,206	18,221	178	758,730	90	135,970
Pacific German	32	9	148	1,421	1,569	30	302	1,440	1,742	24	76,050	20	43,250
Pittsburg	275	125	2,365	73,572	75,937	443	7,039	65,012	72,051	425	6,770,758	139	704,318
Puget Sound	177	84	1,019	16,318	17,337	208	2,450	21,971	24,421	171	767,851	104	164,076
Rock River	353	189	3,467	59,548	63,015	409	7,508	68,495	76,003	401	5,423,925	213	657,800
Saint Louis German	132	77	401	10,643	11,044	126	1,579	8,339	9,918	142	576,900	91	176,650
Savannah[1]	75	158	678	7,778	8,456	124	666	5,399	6,065	122	112,420	31	15,125
South Carolina[1]	178	506	10,151	43,722	53,873	420	2,714	28,030	30,744	381	487,551	92	5,046
Southern California	232	131	1,719	30,568	32,287	211	3,567	34,052	37,619	189	2,007,827	112	252,175
Southern German[1]	41	26	148	2,975	3,123	51	484	2,760	3,244	51	111,750	32	40 950
Southern Illinois	208	106	1,792	45,079	46,871	485	5,523	45,011	50,534	516	1,431,650	182	275,675
Tennessee	98	138	776	8,773	9,549	149	784	6,055	6,839	140	173,150	33	18,325
Texas[1]	129	212	1,784	13,367	15,151	254	1,661	10,017	11,678	233	360,787	88	42,150
Upper Iowa	274	63	1,475	35,650	37,125	308	3,813	29,865	33,678	326	1,960,428	176	373,900
West German	104	53	300	6,589	6,889	111	1,411	6,311	7,722	114	315,200	80	121,525
West Nebraska	103	36	865	12,294	13,159	170	1,805	13,417	15,222	150	421,003	84	112,850
West Texas[1]	114	168	956	10,504	11,460	172	990	7,446	8,436	148	181,970	55	19,875
West Virginia	262	166	3,586	57,251	60,837	885	7,782	58,114	65,896	824	1,887,435	200	384,998
West Wisconsin	193	71	1,551	21,473	23,024	363	3,400	25,185	28,585	349	1,079,820	140	245,390
Western Norwegian-Danish	25	15	56	852	908	21	114	782	896	28	137,700	22	33,400
Western Swedish	40	35	65	2,621	2,686	45	418	2,349	2,767	45	173,270	32	58,334
Wisconsin	174	51	1,352	22,345	23,697	271	3,218	24,757	27,975	278	1,750,700	140	371,200

[1] 1907. Conferences held after issue of YEAR BOOK.

[2] Returns for 1908 not received.

FALL CONFERENCES—*Continued*

1908 FALL CONFERENCES AND MISSIONS	The Ministry		Lay Membership			Sunday Schools				Church Property			
	In full Connection and on Trial	Local Preachers	Probationers	Full Members	Total Membership	Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Total Sunday School Membership	Churches	Probable Value	Parsonages	Probable Value
Mission Conferences													
Atlantic	14	11	73	1,446	1,519	28	142	1,267	1,409	31	30,700	4	3,700
Bulgaria	.....	2	121	426	547	16	46	641	687	11	20,665	8	18 815
New Mexico Spanish[3]	28	12	1,006	2,098	3,104	50	150	1,402	1,552	38	48,100	29	25,900
Pacific Swedish	21	17	42	950	992	15	108	703	811	16	119,750	9	14 200
Missions													
Alaska[3]	.....	1	23	113	136	6	41	297	338	6	25,700	4	3,700
Arizona	.....	12	66	1,459	1,525	31	291	2,642	2,933	26	161,200	16	38,300
Black Hills	.....	8	124	1,120	1,244	32	234	1,828	2,062	25	56,800	13	24,100
Pacific Chinese	.....	11	37	228	265	12	35	247	282	5	69,000	.....	.....
East Oklahoma	.....	31	149	2,837	2,986	43	377	3,513	3,890	40	126,575	14	25,450
Nevada	.....	11	286	1,378	1,664	39	282	2,378	2,660	37	120,350	24	36,050
New Mexico English	.....	5	83	1,782	1,865	24	257	1,955	2,212	20	127,200	11	26,000
Pacific Japanese	.....	11	232	779	1,011	13	33	255	288	7	54,650	1	2,000
Utah	.....	5	90	1,515	1,605	35	263	2,238	2,501	27	214,800	15	17,300
Wyoming	.....	9	181	1,792	1,973	41	378	3,208	3,586	28	115,000	18	41,300
Fall Conferences	11,642	7.195	99,347	1,833,377	1,932,724	19,003	218,347	1,743,651	1,961,998	18,639	89,282,811	7,895	15,282,063
Spring Conferences	7,779	7,548	248,726	1,195,438	1,444,164	15,616	143,320	1,324,597	1,467,917	11,126	77,843,922	5,433	13,436,395
Grand total	19.421	14,743	348,073	3,028,815	3,376,888	34,619	361,667	3,068,248	3,429,915	29,765	167,126,733	13,328	28,718,458
Last year[1]	19,353	14,044	346,801	2,960,474	3,307,275	34,188	358,725	2,987,758	3,346,483	29,616	160,305,916	13,082	27,076,196
Increase	68	699	1,272	68,341	69,613	431	2,942	80,490	83,432	149	6,820,817	246	1,642,262
Decrease	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Loss: Japan and South Japan.[2]	118	30	2,132	4,932	7,064	133	511	9,512	10,023	54	198,460	41	27,040

[1] These totals are from complete returns in General Minutes for 1907, and not from the last Year Book.
[2] Add these figures to the increases and the *actual* increases in 1908 are shown.
[3] Returns for 1908 not received.

SECRETARIES OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

Joseph B. Hingeley, 57 Washington Street, Chicago, Ill.

THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES

Alabama, J. L. Brasher, Boaz, Ala.
Alaska Mission, F. A. LaViolette, Juneau, Alaska.
Andes, A. S. Watson, Iquique, Chile.
Arizona Mission, Wilbur Fisk, Tempe, Arizona.
Arkansas, B. P. White, Little Rock, Ark.
Atlanta, R. T. Adams, McDonough, Ga.
Atlantic Mission Conference, W. J. Plint, Morehead City, N. C.
Austin, J. F. Boeye, Fort Worth, Tex.
Baltimore, G. E. Maydwell, Washington, D. C.
Bengal, G. S. Henderson, Asansol, Bengal, India.
Black Hills Mission, M. C. Roberts, Sundance, Wyoming.
Blue Ridge, Adolphus Graybeal, Montezuma, N. C.
Bombay, A. A. Parker, Baroda Camp, India.
Bulgaria Mission Conference, Tsventan Tsvetanoff, Pleven, Bulgaria.
Burma Mission Conference, O. I. Truitt, 19 Lancaster Road, Rangoon, India.
California, C. E. Irons, Los Gatos, Cal.
California German, G. J. Schultz, Stockton, Cal.
Central Alabama, R. J. Buckner, Birmingham, Ala.
Central China Mission Conference, J. R. Trindle, Wuhu, China.
Central German, W. A. Schruff, 1234 Mozart Street, Columbus, O.
Central Illinois, D. S. McCown, Bradford, Ill.
Central Missouri, F. S. Bowles, Sedalia, Mo.
Central New York, L. S. Boyd, Weedsport, N. Y.
Central Ohio, Daniel Carter, Wauseon, O.
Central Pennsylvania, J. F. Anderson, Emporium, Pa.
Central Provinces Mission Conference, D. G. Abbott, Narsinghpur, India.
Central Swedish, E. P. Swan, 151 Oak Street, Chicago, Ill.
Central Tennessee, U. G. Paschal, McLemoresville, Tenn.
Chicago German, Peter Rech, Kenosha, Wis.
Cincinnati, Valorous F. Brown, 117 E. Fifth Street, Middletown, O.
Colorado, W. F. Steele, University Park, Colo.
Columbia River, G. O. Kimball, Spokane, Wash.
Dakota, G. T. Notson, Alexandria, S. D.
Delaware, J. H. Blake, Chester, Pa.
Denmark Mission Conference, Christian Nielsen, Frederikshaven, Denmark.
Des Moines, I. N. Woodward, Atlantic, Ia.
Detroit, A. Raymond Johns, 217 West Court Street, Flint, Mich.
East Central Africa Mission Conference, J. E. Ferris, Old Umtali, Rhodesia, Africa.
East German, H. H. Heck, 18 Saint Mark's Place, New York city, N. Y.
East Maine, A. L. Nutter, Oldtown, Me.
East Ohio, Thomas Wood, Wellsville, O.
East Oklahoma Mission, T. E. Sisson, Claremore, Okla.
East Tennessee, Anderson Davis, Marion, Va.
Eastern Swedish, J. E. Hillberg, Alfred Ostlund, Malden, Mass.
Erie, W. P. Graham, Mercer, Pa.

Finland and Saint Petersburg, John Melin, Ekenas, **Finland.**
Florida, S. A. Huzer, Gainesville, Fla.
Foochow, W. H. Lacy, Shanghai, China.
France Mission, Gustav Lieur, Grenoble, France.
Genesee, Ray Allen, 77 Lenox Street, Rochester, **N. Y.**
Georgia, R. H. Robb, Atlanta, Ga.
Gulf, J. R. Basket, Jennings, La.
Hinghua, U. R. Jones, Hinghua, China.
Hawaiian Mission, D. W. Crane, Honolulu, **H. T.**
Holston, B. M. Martin, Athens, Tenn.
Idaho, G. G. Haley, Payette, Idaho.
Illinois, F. B. Madden, Carlinville, Ill.
Indiana, R. A. Kemp, New Albany, Ind.
Iowa, J. W. Potter, Keokuk, Ia.
Italy, Vincenzo Nitti, 38 Via Firenze, Rome, **Italy.**
Kansas, C. G. Bear, Pomona, Kan.
Kentucky, G. N. Jolly, Augusta, Ky.
Korea, S. A. Beck, Seoul, Korea.
Lexington, J. W. Robinson, Covington, Ky.
Liberia, C. A. Lincoln, Greenville, Liberia, Africa.
Lincoln, A. W. Talbert, Boley, Okla.
Little Rock, J. L. Wilson, Little Rock, Ark.
Louisiana, W. S. Chinn, New Orleans, La.
Maine, G. C. Andrews, Bowdoinham, N. H.
Malaysia, W. G. Shellabear, Malacca, Straits Settlements, Asia.
Mexico, J. P. Hauser, Apartado 1291, Mexico City, Mexico.
Michigan, E. A. Armstrong, Albion, Mich.
Minnesota, G. A. Cahoon, Worthington, Minn.
Mississippi, J. C. Houston, Canton, Miss.
Missouri, J. W. Anderson, Stanberry, Mo.
Mobile, A. W. McKinney, Huntsville, Ala.
Montana, G. D. King, Whitehall, Mont.
Nebraska, O. T. Moore, University Place, Neb.
Nevada Mission, J. J. Pike, Fallon, Nev.
New England, James Mudge, Malden, Mass.
New England Southern, J. F. Cooper, 152 Peace Street, Providence, R. I.
New Hampshire, S. E. Quimby, Room 909, 373 Washington Street, Boston, Mass.
New Jersey, M. E. Snyder, Atlantic City, N. J.
New Mexico English Mission, J. C. Rollins, Albuquerque, N. M.
New Mexico Spanish Mission Conference, T. M. Harwood, Albuquerque, N. M.
New York, G. W. Grinton, Newburgh, N. Y.
New York East, A. B. Sanford, Mamaroneck, N. Y.
Newark, J. F. Dodd, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, **N. Y.**
North Andes Mission, C. N. Vance, Tarma, Peru, **S. A.**
North Carolina, S. A. Peeler, Greensboro, N. C.
North China, Burton Saint John, Tientsin, China.
North Dakota, C. D. Lewis, Mandan, N. D.
North Germany, Stephan Von Bohr, Oldenburg, **Germany.**
North India, P. S. Hyde, Naini Tal, India.
North Indiana, D. V. Williams, Garrett, Ind.
North Montana, George Logan, Choteau, Mont.

North Nebraska, E. T. George, Neligh, Neb.
North Ohio, R. T. Stephenson, Delaware, O.
Northern German, C. F. Blume, New Ulm, Minn.
Northern Minnesota, C. Roaten, Duluth, Minn.
Northern New York, W. G. Atwell, Antwerp, N. Y.
Northern Swedish, C. H. Sundstrom, Minneapolis, Minn.
Northwest German, W. H. Rolfing, Charles City, Ia.
Northwest India, T. S. Donohugh, Meerut, India.
Northwest Indiana, H. N. Ogden, Indianapolis, Ind.
Northwest Iowa, T. S. Bassett, Mason, Ia.
Northwest Kansas, L. A. McKeever, Norton, Kan.
Northwest Nebraska, C. H. Burleigh, Hemingford, Neb.
Norway, G. B. Rognerud, Larvik, Norway.
Norwegian and Danish, R. F. Wilhelmsen, 827 N. 40th Court, Chicago, Ill.
Ohio, J. W. Atkinson, Portsmouth, O.
Oklahoma, W. H. Rose, Guthrie, Okla.
Oregon, C. C. Rarick, Astoria, Ore.
Pacific Chinese Mission, Chan Hon Fan, 904 Washington Street, San Francisco, Cal.
Pacific German, F. H. Luecke, Tacoma, Wash.
Pacific Japanese Mission, M. S. Vail, 1628 Seventh Ave., E. Oakland, Cal.
Pacific Swedish Mission, G. A. Werner, Los Angeles, Cal.
Philadelphia, S. G. Grove, Tacony, Philadelphia, Pa.
Philippine Islands, Harry Farmer, Manila, P. I.
Pittsburg, N. L. Brown, 7810 Kelly Street, Pittsburg, Pa.
Porto Rico Mission, Manuel Andujar, San Juan, P. R.
Puget Sound, Horace Williston, Issaquah, Wash.
Rock River, J. A. Matlack, Harvard, Ill.
Saint Johns River, Addyman Smith, St. Petersburg, Fla.
Saint Louis, P. E. Pierce, Sedalia, Mo.
Saint Louis German, G. B. Addicks, Warrenton, Mo.
Savannah, J. D. Jenkins, Liberty Hill, Ga.
South America, W. F. Rice, Lomas de Zamora, Province of Buenos Aires, Argentina.
South Carolina, J. B. Middleton, Darlington, S. C.
South Florida Mission, T. H. B. Walker, Tampa, Fla.
South Germany, Robert Moeller, Stuttgart, Germany.
South India, A. H. Baker, Hyderabad, India.
South Kansas, Ira M. Benham, La Harpe, Kan.
Southern California, E. J. Inwood, Los Angeles, Cal.
Southern German, J. E. Stullken, Brenham, Tex.
Southern Illinois, J. C. Kinison, Herrin, Ill.
Southwest Kansas, L. M. Riley, Garden City, Kan.
Sweden, K. A. Janssen, Stockholm, Sweden.
Switzerland, E. M. Bauer, Lausanne, Switzerland.
Tennessee, T. W. Johnson, Nashville, Tenn.
Texas, M. W. Dogan, Marshall, Tex.
Troy, Edwin Genge, Troy, N. Y.
Upper Iowa, W. H. Slingerland, Des Moines, Ia.
Upper Mississippi, C. E. Moody, Vaiden, Miss.
Utah Mission, D. M. Helmick, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Vermont, F. W. Lewis, Saint Johnsbury, Vt.
Washington, S. H. Norwood, Frederick City, Md.

West Central Africa Mission Conference, R. B. Kipp, Pungo Andongo, Angola, Africa, via Lisbon.
West China Mission Conference, R. C. Ricker, Hocheo, China.
West German, John Demand, Wichita, Kan.
West Nebraska, B. F. Eberhart, Arapahoe, Neb.
West Texas, T. H. Wyatt, Luling, Tex.
West Virginia, J. B. Workman, Oakland, Md.
West Wisconsin, J. W. Irish, Ashland; W. P. Cunningham, acting secretary, La Crosse, Wis.
Western Norwegian-Danish, Joseph Olsen, Ballard, Wash.
Western Swedish, Carl Fromen, Clay Center, Kan.
Wilmington, W. A. Wise, Centerville, Md.
Wisconsin, T. W. North, Evansville, Wis.
Wyoming, H. C. McDermott, 408 Wyoming Ave., Pittston, Pa.
Wyoming Mission, E. C. Jordan, Cheyenne, Wyo.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

We present here a complete list of the district superintendents' districts and the names and addresses of district superintendents and Mission superintendents for 1909. The district superintendents of Conferences held late in November and in December are necessarily taken from the records of the preceding Conferences. This feature of the Year Book, first introduced in 1904, is very highly appreciated by our people.

Alabama.—Anniston, J. G. Johnson, Edwardsville; Birmingham, W. M. Croman, Birmingham; Boaz, J. B. Miller, Boaz; Gulf, C. J. Hammitt, Dothan, Ala.

Alaska Mission.—Superintendent, John Parsons, Fairbanks, Alaska.

Andes.—Bolivia, F. M. Harrington, Casilla 405, La Paz, Bolivia; Central, W. C. Hoover, Casilla 636, Valparaiso, Chile; Northern, Roberto Elphick, Casilla 153, Antofagasta; Santiago and Southern, G. J. Schilling, Casilla 1142, Santiago; Magellan, J. C. Reeder, Punta Arenas, Chile.

Arizona Mission.—Superintendent, S. J. Rogers, Phoenix, Ariz.

Arkansas.—Fort Smith, W. C. Wheeler, Fort Smith; Harrison, L. W. Elkins, Eureka Springs; Little Rock, C. M. Holiett, Little Rock, Ark.

Atlanta.—Atlanta, C. L. Johnson, South Atlanta Station; Gainesville, Z. K. Gowen, So. Atlanta; Griffin, P. H. Travis, Atlanta; Rome, C. W. Adams, Rome, Ga.

Atlantic.—District Superintendent, T. S. Davis, Marshallberg, N. C.

Austin.—Austin, O. F. Lindstrum, Georgetown; Fort Worth, D. T. Summerville, Fort Worth, Tex.

Baltimore.—Baltimore, J. C. Nicholson, Baltimore; Eastern Baltimore, W. L. McDowell, Baltimore; Western Baltimore, J. F. Heisse, Baltimore; Frederick, M. F. B. Rice, Baltimore, Md.; Washington, J. W. R. Sumwalt, Washington, D. C.

Bengal.—Asansol, Joseph Culshaw, Parker; Calcutta, F. B. Price, Calcutta; Diamond Harbor, B. M. Mozumdar, Diamond Harbor; Tirhoot, J. O. Denning, Muzaffarpur, India.

Black Hills Mission.—Superintendent of Mission, R. H. Dolliver, Hot Springs; Deadwood, R. H. Dolliver; Cheyenne River, C. D. Royse Rapid City, S. D.

Blue Ridge.—Bakersville, W. A. Patten, Lansing; Clyde, J. L. Dennis, Clyde; Statesville, J. F. Matney, Walkertown, N. C.

Bombay.—Bombay, C. B. Hill, Bombay; Gujarat, E. F. Frease, Baroda Camp; Kathiawad, W. E. Robbins, Dhola Junction; Marathi, W. H. Stephens, Poona, India.

Bulgaria.—Superintendent, E. E. Count, Sofia; Lovetch, Ivan Todoroff, Shumen; Rustchuk, Pavel Todoroff, Rustchuk, Bulgaria.

Burma.—Burma, B. M. Jones, 27 Creek Street, Rangoon, India.

California.—Napa, G. L. Pearson, 807 College Avenue, Santa Rosa; Oakland, S. D. Hutsinpiller, 1403 Leroy Avenue, Berkeley, Oakland; Sacramento, E. D. McCreary, 2441 Russell Street, Berkeley; San Francisco, W. C. Evans, 553 Eldorado Avenue, Oakland; San Jose, H. E. Beeks, San Jose, Cal.

California German.—California, Otto Wilke, Los Angeles, Cal.

Central Alabama.—Anniston, J. W. Thomas, Anniston; Birmingham, R. J. Buckner, Birmingham; Huntsville, A. S. Williams, Huntsville, Ala.

Central China Mission Conference.—Chinkiang, W. C. Longden, Chinkiang, Li Yuin-shen, Kiukiang; Nanking, H. F. Rowe, Nanking; South Kiangsi, A. J. Bowen, Nanchang; Wuhu, J. R. Trindle, Wuhu, China.

Central German.—Cincinnati, J. H. Schimmelpfennig, Covington, Ky.; Louisville, G. E. Hiller, Booneville, Ind.; Michigan, J. J. Bockstahler, 761 W. Grand Boulevard, Detroit, Mich.; North Ohio, Joseph Kern, Berea, O.

Central Illinois.—Galesburg, R. E. Buckey, Abingdon; Kankakee, J. W. Frizzelle, Kankakee; Normal, Richard Crewes, Normal; Peoria, O. T. Dwinnell, Peoria; Rock Island, W. R. Wiley, Rock Island, Ill.

Central Missouri.—Saint Joseph, A. H. Higgs, Marshall; Mexico, W. C. Ellis, Mexico; Saint Louis, R. E. Gillum, St. Louis; Sedalia, W. H. Smith, Sedalia, Mo.

Central New York.—Auburn, C. E. Jewell, Auburn; Cazenovia, W. H. Giles, Cazenovia; Elmira, S. F. Sanford, Elmira; Geneva, G. E. Campbell, Geneva; Syracuse, D. D. Campbell, 117 Standart Street, Syracuse, N. Y.

Central Ohio.—Bellefontaine, C. R. Havighorst, Bellefontaine; Defiance, J. F. Harshbarger, Defiance; Delaware, W. McK. Brackney, Delaware; Findlay, E. D. Whitlock, Fostoria; Lima, David Bowers, Lima; Toledo, E. O. Crist, Toledo, O.

Central Pennsylvania.—Altoona, B. C. Conner, Altoona; Danville, R. H. Gilbert, Berwick; Harrisburg, E. M. Stevens, Carlisle; Juniata, W. W. Evans, Huntingdon; Williamsport, T. S. Wilcox, 639 Campbell Street, Williamsport, Pa.

Central Provinces.—Godavery, C. B. Ward, Yellandu; Jabalpur, T. S. Johnson, Jabalpur; Nagpur, H. A. Musser, Nagpur; Raipur, G. K. Gilder, Raipur, C. P.

Central Swedish.—Chicago, Alfred Anderson, Chicago; Galesburg, William Swenson, Galva, Ill.; Jamestown, G. H. Johnson, McKeesport, Pa.

Central Tennessee.—Huntington, U. G. Paschal, McLemoresville; Nashville, Virgil Pafford, Lawrenceburg; Tullahoma, J. D. Harris, Cookeville, Tenn.

Chicago German.—Appleton, H. C. Loeppert, Appleton; Chicago, J. A. Mulfinger, 1262 Rokeby Street, Chicago, Ill.; Milwaukee, A. C. Berg, Watertown, Wis.

Pacific Chinese Mission.—Superintendent, Edward James, 2328 Carleton Street, Berkeley, Cal.

Cincinnati.—Cincinnati, H. C. Jameson, 2525 Gilbert Avenue, Cincinnati; Dayton, S. O. Royal, Dayton; Milford, D. L. Aultman, Avondale, Cincinnati; Springfield, G. W. DuBois, Springfield, O.

Colorado.—Denver, H. E. Warner, Denver; Greeley, R. A. Carnine, Denver; Pueblo, R. A. Chase, Colorado Springs; Rio Grande, N. H. Lee, Denver; Denver Northwestern, W. D. Phifer, Denver, Colo.

Columbia River.—Coeur D'Alene, A. A. Luce, Coeur D'Alene, Idaho; Spokane, U. F. Hawk, Spokane, Wash.; The Dalles, Walton Skipworth, The Dalles, Ore.; Upper Columbia, O. W. Mintzer, Wenatchee, Wash.; Walla Walla, Gabriel Sykes, Walla Walla, Wash.

Dakota.—Aberdeen, G. F. Hopkins, Aberdeen; Huron, C. E. Hager, Huron; Mitchell, J. O. Dobson, Mitchell; Sioux Falls, A. C. Shepherd, Sioux Falls; Watertown, W. I. Graham, Watertown, S. D.

Delaware.—Cambridge, J. R. Brown, Milford, Del.; Centreville, N. W. Moore, Centerville, Md.; Philadelphia, H. A. Monroe, 931 No. 26th Street, Philadelphia, Pa.; Salisbury, Pazavia O'Connell, Salisbury, Md.; Wilmington, W. F. Colton, Wilmington, Del.

Denmark.—Copenhagen, Christian Jensen, Copenhagen; Jutland, S. N. Gaarde, Veile, Denmark.

Des Moines.—Boone, E. E. Ilgenfritz, Boone; Atlantic, William Stevenson, Atlantic; Chariton, B. F. Miller, Indianola; Council Bluffs, C. L. Baxter, Council Bluffs; Creston, A. H. Collins, Indianola; Des Moines, G. W. L. Brown, Des Moines, Ia.

Detroit.—Ann Arbor, William Dawe, Ann Arbor; Detroit, John Sweet, Detroit; Flint, J. G. Haller, Ann Arbor; Houghton, James Pascoe, Hancock; Port Huron, C. B. Steele, Port Huron; Saginaw Valley, L. N. Moon, Bay City; Straits, W. B. Collins, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

East Central Africa.—Inhambane, E. H. Richards, Inhambane, East Africa; Rhodesia, Robert Wodehouse, Umtali, Rhodesia.

East German.—New York, William Giesregen, 1238 Bushwick Avenue, Brooklyn; Philadelphia, John Lange, 314 Union Street, Jersey City, N. J.

East Maine.—Bangor, J. W. Hatch, Bangor; Bucksport, H. B. Haskell, Ellsworth; Rockland, D. B. Phelan, Waterville, Me.

East Ohio.—Akron, L. H. Stewart, Ravenna; Barnesville, J. S. Secrest, Barnesville; Cambridge, H. W. Dewey, Cambridge; Canton, J. C. Smith, Alliance; Cleveland, G. K. Morris, Cleveland; Steubenville, W. H. Dickerson, Steubenville; Youngstown, O. W. Holmes, Youngstown, O.

East Oklahoma Mission.—Superintendent of Mission, E. S. Stockwell, Muskogee, Okla.; McAlester, M. N. Powers, Holdenville; Muskogee, E. S. Stockwell, Muskogee, Okla.

East Tennessee.—Bristol, I. R. Hill, Bristol; Chattanooga, E. J. Cox, Chattanooga; Knoxville, W. A. Webber, Tate Springs, Tenn.; Pulaski, J. A. Pickett, Pulaski City, Va.; Welch Mission, W. T. Marley, Welch, W. Va.

Eastern Swedish.—Boston, C. A. Cederberg, Malden, Mass.; New York, H. E. Whyman, 1869 Bathgate Ave., New York.

Erie.—Clarion, J. B. Neff, DuBois; Erie, W. P. Murray, Erie;

Franklin, D. A. Platt, Franklin, Pa.; Jamestown, J. R. Rankin, Jamestown, N. Y.; Meadville, H. G. Dodds, Meadville; Newcastle, T. W. Douglass, Newcastle, Pa.

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Foochow.—Foochow, Hu Caik Hang, Foochow; Haitang, Ung Nong Cui, Ngu-cheng via Foochow; Hokchiang, Ngoi Gi Lang, Ngu-cheng via Foochow; Ku-cheng, Tiang Nguk Ceu, Ku-cheng, via Foochow; Kude, Ding Deng Dieu, Ku-cheng, via Foochow; Ming-chiang, U Sien E, Foochow; Ngu-cheng, Ling Mi Ing, Ngu-cheng, via Foochow; Yenping Ding Iok Nguon, Yengping, via Foochow; Iuka, Ding Giu U, Yenping, via Foochow, China.

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED

THE following amendment to the Constitution, changing the date of meeting of the General Conference, was recommended by the General Conference of 1908:

Strike out in the second line the word "Wednesday," and substitute therefor the words "secular day"; so that the lines, as amended, shall read, "The General Conference shall meet at ten o'clock on the morning of the first secular day in the month of May," etc.

§ 2. It also ordered that said proposed amendment be submitted to the members of the Annual Conferences and of the Lay Electoral Conferences which shall meet in the years 1911 and 1912 for their action thereon.

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT— BISHOPS, DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS, PASTORS

THE Book Committee, at its annual session in February, 1908, adopted the table on "Ministerial Support" published in the issue of the METHODIST YEAR BOOK for 1908 as the basis for determining the apportionments for General Conference expenses. For this reason, if for no other, the table referred to, revised annually, will become a permanent feature of the YEAR BOOK. It is important that the table thus presented should be absolutely accurate and to this end our computations have been verified in many instances by the secretaries of the Conferences and Missions in the domestic zone. Since "support" covers the Conference year 1907–8, the number of district superintendents and pastors is for the same period. The statistics for the Conference year 1906–7 are used for Conferences held late in November and in December. Missions are included inasmuch as the superintendents thereof perform in many instances the functions of "district superintendents." Pastors not reporting any income are not counted, since by enumerating them the average support of pastors who do report would be unjustly reduced. The decrease in pastors this year is occasioned by our not counting those who reported no incomes.

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT, Etc.—*Continued*

Conferences and Missions	Bishops	District Superintendents			Pastors		
		No.	Support	Av'ge per District Superin't	No.	Support	Average per Pastor
Alabama[1]	$86	4	$1,038	$259	62	$10,357	$167.05
Alaska Mission	29	....	....	....	5	4,086	817.20
Arizona	209	1	1,004	1,004	21	23,981	1,141.95
Arkansas	108	3	1,864	621	58	17,668	304.62
Atlanta[1]	138	4	3,895	974	68	24,691	363.10
Atlantic	7	1	273	273	16	2,458	153.62
Austin[1]	184	3	1,552	514	37	20,786	556.22
Baltimore	2,645	5	13,064	2,613	212	241,576	1,139.51
Black Hills	53	1	695	695	19	11,367	598.26
Blue Ridge	35	3	902	301	34	6,575	193.38
California	1,356	5	12,267	2,453	184	185,660	1,009.02
California German	132	1	928	928	18	14,975	831.94
Central Alabama[1]	55	3	2,234	745	54	13,183	248.74
Central German	935	4	5,892	1,473	102	78,281	767.46
Central Illinois	1,964	5	12,707	2,541	204	210,874	1,033.76
Central Missouri	168	3	3,186	1,062	70	25,880	369.70
Central New York	1,966	5	10,094	2,019	212	198,238	935.08
Central Ohio	1,741	6	13,959	2,326	171	176,834	1,034.29
Central Pennsylvania	3,280	5	15,083	3,017	264	274,416	1,039.43
Central Swedish	323	3	2,618	873	53	34,261	646.43
Central Tennessee	73	3	1,220	407	40	9,683	242.07
Chicago German	616	3	3,393	1,131	67	50,429	752.67
Cincinnati	1,678	5	11,333	2,267	159	179,728	1,130.36
Colorado[1]	1,723	5	11,823	2,365	171	161,701	945.62
Columbia River	929	4	9,759	2,440	135	114,663	849.36
Dakota	1,122	5	9,425	1,885	141	122,312	867.46
Delaware	747	5	7,010	1,402	151	83,965	556.06
Des Moines	2,217	6	14,425	2,404	221	224,211	1,014.52
Detroit	2,130	7	16,631	2,376	326	278,916	855.57
East German	565	2	3,340	1,670	52	49,060	943.46
East Maine	544	3	4,306	1,435	105	71,604	681.94
East Ohio	2,702	8	17,201	2,150	254	278,434	1,096.12
East Oklahoma Mission	82	1	912	912	36	16,095	447.09
East Tennessee	104	5	2,492	498	62	17,440	281.29
Eastern Swedish	188	2	1,143	572	34	19,423	571.32
Erie	1,849	6	12,038	2,006	214	211,146	986.66
Florida	122	3	2,176	725	54	13,403	248.20
Genesee	2,219	5	13,002	2,600	267	269,243	1,007.65
Georgia	29	2	511	255	17	4,677	275.12
Gulf	82	3	1,309	436	33	15,170	459.70
Holston	518	6	7,140	1,190	128	69,518	543.11
Idaho	298	2	2,996	1,498	53	37,611	709.64
Illinois	2,651	9	20,656	2,295	293	299,394	1,021.82
Indiana	2,324	8	20,147	2,518	271	236,808	873.83
Iowa	1,510	5	9,599	1,920	133	134,710	1,012.86
Kansas	1,448	5	9,867	1,973	148	131,147	884.64
Kentucky	214	4	4,660	1,165	97	53,687	553.47
Lexington	179	5	5,524	1,105	122	48,635	398.65
Lincoln	40	3	1,322	441	55	8,186	148.84
Little Rock	63	5	2,837	567	86	15,974	185.74
Louisiana	227	7	6,767	967	160	59,369	371.00
Maine	640	3	4,182	1,394	98	76,764	783.31
Michigan	2,090	7	15,626	2,232	332	259,799	782.53
Minnesota	1,123	4	8,754	2,188	133	122,559	921.49
Mississippi	161	6	6,196	1,032	112	40,998	366.05
Missouri	872	5	8,493	1,699	137	101,723	742.50
Mobile	48	3	2,312	770	39	11,819	302.79
Montana	301	2	2,712	1,356	43	36,986	860.14
Nebraska	1,324	5	10,753	2,151	166	143,948	867.16
Nevada Mission	193	1	1,475	1,475	25	25,081	1,003.24
New England	2,118	4	10,355	2,589	245	284,650	1,162.00
New England Southern	1,445	3	6,815	2,272	173	156,904	906.96
New Hampshire	885	3	4,370	1,457	117	89,549	765.37
New Jersey	3,048	4	9,791	2,448	245	253,594	1,035.08

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT, Etc.—*Continued*

Conferences and Missions	Bishops	District Superintend'ts			Pastors		
		No.	Support	Av'ge per District Superin't	No.	Support	Average per Pastor
New Mexico English Mission	76	1	$788	$788	13	$13,720	$1,055.38
New Mexico Spanish	13	3	196	65	30	2,691	89.70
New York	2,928	4	12,891	3,223	268	348,643	1,300.91
New York East	3,091	4	17,057	4,264	291	431,544	1,482.96
Newark	3,291	4	13,526	3,381	259	326,805	1,261.78
North Carolina[2]	154	5	3,827	765	79	24,517	310.34
North Dakota	566	3	7 744	2,581	123	113,503	922.78
North Indiana	2,581	6	14,039	2,340	217	215,763	994.16
North Montana	175	2	1,565	782	32	20,911	653.47
North Nebraska	846	4	7,537	1,884	116	104,700	902.50
North Ohio	1,307	5	9,662	1,932	162	147,898	912.95
Northern German	403	3	3,314	1,105	48	32,659	680.38
Northern Minnesota	840	5	9,383	1,877	174	147,671	848.68
Northern New York	1,958	5	8,768	1,754	190	158,113	832.17
Northern Swedish	219	2	1,815	907	43	23,595	547.67
Northwest German	347	3	2,972	991	46	28,158	612.13
Northwest Indiana	1,481	5	11,786	2,357	172	156,668	910.86
Northwest Iowa	1,783	5	10,341	2,068	177	160,512	906.85
Northwest Kansas	875	5	7,480	1,496	131	98,128	749.07
Northwest Nebraska	141	2	1,392	696	31	17,323	558.81
Norwegian and Danish	266	3	3,009	1,003	67	33,700	502.99
Ohio	1,844	8	15,812	1,976	202	200,317	991.67
Oklahoma	554	7	8,599	1,228	168	99,105	589.91
Oregon	919	4	7,897	1,974	127	88,666	698.08
Pacific Chinese Mission	30	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Pacific German	116	2	989	495	22	12,052	547.36
Pacific Japanese Mission	40	1	1,000	1,000	13	10,886	837.39
Pacific Swedish Mission Conference	73	2	373	186	15	8,198	546.53
Philadelphia	4,617	4	13,722	3,430	318	393,752	1,238.21
Pittsburg	2,837	5	13,985	2,797	249	341,068	1,369.75
Puget Sound	1,256	5	10,276	2,055	143	123,130	861.05
Rock River	3,793	6	19,772	3,295	318	392,448	1,234.11
Saint Johns River	144	2	1,105	553	23	18,697	812.91
Saint Louis	1,298	7	13,641	1,949	182	141,511	777.53
Saint Louis German	558	4	5,040	1,260	90	60,856	676.17
Savannah[1]	106	4	3,553	888	65	16,288	250.59
South Carolina[1]	224	8	9,558	1,195	147	67,236	457.38
South Florida Mission	28	1	484	484	17	3,570	210.00
South Kansas	1,278	4	8,820	2,205	130	123,667	952.00
Southern California	1,725	4	11,436	2,859	173	189,258	1,093.98
Southern German	175	2	903	451	29	14,544	501.52
Southern Illinois	1,051	6	10,807	1,801	198	148,309	749.03
Southwest Kansas	1,450	6	12,265	2,044	170	142,003	835.31
Tennessee	64	5	3,059	612	85	15,403	181.21
Texas	122	6	6,132	1,022	103	35,563	345.27
Troy	2,851	5	12,957	2,591	238	241,522	1,014.80
Upper Iowa	1,937	6	11,866	1,978	189	192,403	1,018.00
Upper Mississippi	151	7	5,683	812	108	38,419	355.73
Utah Mission	52	2	716	358	23	9,243	401.87
Vermont	712	3	4,180	1,393	105	75,678	720.74
Washington	787	6	7,424	1,237	143	83,522	584.07
West German	554	4	4,623	1,156	76	49,409	650.00
West Nebraska	437	3	4,818	1,606	98	78,879	804.84
West Texas[1]	144	5	4,678	935	70	24,310	347.28
West Virginia	1,497	8	15,185	1,898	238	178,587	750.34
West Wisconsin	904	5	7,896	1,579	166	137,765	829.82
Western Norwegian-Danish	57	2	499	250	21	10,313	491.09
Western Swedish	212	3	1,295	432	41	18,026	439.66
Wilmington	1,724	4	8,270	2,068	183	164,340	898.03
Wisconsin	1,138	5	8,045	1,609	166	158,057	952.15
Wyoming	1,943	6	11,718	1,953	218	207,714	952.80
Wyoming Mission	149	1	1,580	1,580	25	20,541	821.64
	121,747	514	873,806	....	15,577	13,409,140	.....

[1] Held late in November and in December, 1907. [2] Not received.

Note—The average payment to district superintendents is $1,700, as against $1,618 last year, and of pastors $860.82, as against $826 last year.

TRUSTEES OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THIS Board is one of the most important in the church. By careful and judicious management it has commended itself to our people, and as the church grows in years and in endowments of important institutions it will be increasingly appreciated and its services solicited.

The Board was created by the General Conference to provide a Corporation competent to answer for the church in legal proceedings, and also authorized to take by gift, bequest, or devise any property, real, personal, or mixed, that anyone might be disposed to leave for the benefit or endowment of any organization or institution of the church and to administer the same. This covers funds or other property for the benefit of superannuates, for the endowment of churches, deaconess institutions, orphanages, old people's homes, hospitals, provisions for new church sites in cities or suburbs, or any new charity that the benevolently disposed may wish to establish. Comparatively few of our people know that the General Conference has provided such a Board, and that every four years it reviews its work and selects its members. Although this Board is now administering on over $400,000, it has not lost so much as one dollar of the money entrusted to it. The economy of its administration is also notable. Hence the beneficiaries of the funds it controls receive the largest possible income. The Discipline provides that the Board shall consist of "twelve members, divided into classes of three ministers and three laymen each," whose "term of office shall be eight years. Each General Conference shall elect one class, and fill vacancies caused by death, resignation, cessation of membership in the church, or otherwise. Vacancies occurring in the interval of the General Conference shall be filled for the remainder of the quadrennium by the bishops." Quadrennial reports must be made by the Board to the General Conference. (See ¶¶ 436–443 Methodist Discipline.)

In response to inquiries as to the authority of the Trustees to accept in trust gifts of money or other property, and administer the same according to the direction of the persons making them, for the benefit of Conference Claimants, with the condition that the donor might be the beneficiary thereof during life, and with the further condition and provision that, on the death of the donor, "Conference Claimants" of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as defined in its Discipline, should thereafter become the beneficiaries of said gifts, the Board decided to accept and administer such gifts of money or property, either for Conference Claimants in general, or for those of any Conference designated by the donor; also funds for the benefit of any other form of church benevolence in addition to those mentioned above. It would greatly benefit the benevolent work of our church if our ministers and members would call attention to the fact that our church has such an agency.

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LAY ELECTORAL CONFERENCES AND ASSOCIATIONS

These Conferences, meeting once in four years, became a part of the organization and government of the Methodist Episcopal Church in connection with the introduction of Lay Delegations into our General and Annual Conferences in 1872.

Meetings are held "at the seat of the Annual Conferences on the first Friday of the session immediately preceding the General Conference." The enactments of the General Conference under which they are organized together with their functions are found in the Discipline, Div. 3, Article 3, ¶¶ 39, 40, pages 36–38. "A Lay Electoral Conference shall be constituted quadrennially, or whenever duly called by the General Conference, within the bounds of each Annual Conference, for the purpose of electing lay delegates to the General Conference, and for the purpose of voting on constitutional changes," etc.

In a number of our Conferences voluntary associations of laymen have been formed which convene at least once a year, usually during the session of the Annual Conference. Their object in general is to advance the interests of the Church within the bounds of the Conference, and in many instances they are rendering efficient service, especially in connection with the raising of funds for Conference Claimants and the endowment of schools.

The Discipline, Paragraph 87, Section 5, contains the following action taken by the General Conference of 1908:

Laymen's Associations—There may be assembled at the seat of the Annual Conference a Laymen's Association, organized within the bounds of the Conference, composed of delegates selected from the charges in such manner as the Laymen's Association may determine. The purpose of such Association shall be to advance the local and Conference interests of the Church and to enlist all laymen in the general activities of the denomination.

Pursuant to this action a meeting was held by the lay delegates to the General Conference at which it was decided to organize a general Laymen's Association. A constitution was subsequently adopted. The object of the Association is "to promote the organization of laymen's associations in our Annual Conferences," etc. An executive committee was appointed, consisting of J. A. Patten, R. V. Watt, J. G. Shepherd, O. P. Miller, W. L. Woodcock, to further the interests of

the cause. The *President* of the committee is J. A. Patten, Chattanooga, Tenn.

We present herewith a list of the principal officers of such of these Associations as have come to our notice. We hope to make this a permanent feature of the YEAR BOOK:

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[1] From last year; no later report received.

FOREIGN MEMBERSHIP

The following table shows that there is no diminution in the growth of our foreign membership; indeed, the record for 1908 presents some remarkable results. The Philippine Islands Conference shows a gain in 1908 over 1907 of 3,908 Probationers and 3,016 Full Members—an aggregate increase of 6,924, or 33½ per cent. Next to this is Northwest India, with its gain in Probationers of 4,605 and in Full Members of 439—an aggregate gain of 5,044, or 9.33 per cent. Other notable gains are: North India, 1,846; South India, 923;

East Central Africa, 1,080, or 71 per cent; Porto Rico, 893, or 35 per cent, and the Hawaiian Mission, 262, or 26 per cent. The record is an inspiring one.

Conferences and Missions	Probationers				Full Members				Total Membership			
	1907	1908	Inc.	Dec.	1907	1908	Inc.	Dec.	1907	1908	Inc.	Dec.
Alaska	23	23	...	...	113	113	...	...	136	136	...	...
Andes	1,724	1,903	179	...	1,933	2,047	114	...	3,657	3,950	293	...
Bengal	1,332	2,186	854	...	1,358	1,242	...	116	2,690	3,428	738	...
Bombay	13,953	14,465	512	...	1,562	1,837	275	...	15,515	16,302	787	...
Bulgaria	134	121	...	13	398	426	28	...	532	547	15	...
Burma	416	458	42	...	530	553	23	...	946	1,011	65	...
Central China	1,043	620	...	423	1,022	1,132	110	...	2,065	1,752	...	313
Central Provinces	2,577	2,288	...	289	1,372	1,288	...	84	3,949	3,576	...	373
Denmark	296	270	...	26	3,405	3,501	96	...	3,701	3,771	70	...
East Central Africa	1,172	2,110	938	...	350	492	142	...	1,522	2,602	1,080	...
Finland and Saint Petersburg	342	290	...	52	978	1,077	99	...	1,320	1,367	47	...
Foochow	6,461	6,560	99	...	6,482	7,110	628	...	12,943	13,670	727	...
France	...	188	188	...	...	33	33	...	...	221	221	...
Hawaiian	500	645	145	...	494	611	117	...	994	1,256	262	...
Hinghua	1,882	2,047	165	...	3,251	3,502	251	...	5,133	5,549	416	...
Italy	928	844	...	84	2,761	2,825	64	...	3,689	3,669	...	20
Japan	1,822	...	...	1,822	3,735	...	...	3,735	5,557	...	...	5,557
Korea	19,570	18,946	...	624	3,885	5,298	1,413	...	23,455	24,244	789	...
Liberia	1,133	1,103	...	30	2,863	3,194	331	...	3,996	4,297	301	...
Malaysia	929	1,159	230	...	1,381	1,530	149	...	2,310	2,689	379	...
Mexico	3,175	3,001	...	174	2,752	2,859	107	...	5,927	5,860	...	67
North Andes	270	358	88	...	145	176	31	...	415	534	119	...
North China	1,850	1,850	...	...	4,465	4,465	...	...	6,315	6,315	...	...
North Germany	4,080	4,270	190	...	8,413	8,616	203	...	12,493	12,886	393	...
North India	21,265	22,457	1,192	...	14,873	15,527	654	...	36,138	37,984	1,846	...
Northwest India	33,047	37,652	4,605	...	21,047	21,486	439	...	54,094	59,138	5,044	...
Norway	447	436	...	11	5,774	5,618	...	156	6,221	6,054	...	167
Philippine Islands	11,144	15,052	3,908	...	9,534	12,550	3,016	...	20,678	27,602	6,924	...
Porto Rico	1,380	1,950	570	...	1,144	1,467	323	...	2,524	3,417	893	...
South America	1,864	1,964	100	...	2,911	3,144	233	...	4,775	5,108	333	...
South Germany	1,753	1,696	...	57	9,843	10,112	269	...	11,596	11,808	212	...
South India	2,228	3,136	908	...	1,204	1,219	15	...	3,432	4,355	923	...
South Japan	310	...	...	310	1,197	...	...	1,197	1,507	...	...	1,507
Sweden	1,666	1,482	...	184	15,916	15,948	32	...	17,582	17,430	...	152
Switzerland	984	912	...	72	8,435	8,442	7	...	9,419	9,354	...	65
West Central Africa	171	142	...	29	159	187	28	...	330	329	...	1
West China	1,806	1,533	...	273	1,524	1,578	54	...	3,330	3,111	...	219
Total	143677	154117	14913	4473	147209	151205	9284	5288	290886	305322	22877	8441

The net increases, it will be seen, are: Probationers, 10,440; Full Members, 3,996; total, 14,436, as against a total increase of 30,963 in 1907. But it should be remembered that the foreign membership suffered a loss of 2,132 Probationers, and 4,932 Full Members, total 7,064, by the turning over of the Japan and South Japan Conferences to the Methodist Church of Japan. Add 7,064 to 14,436 and we have 21,500 as a real increase in foreign membership in 1908. The foreign membership at the close of 1900 was 190,581; at the close of

1908, 305,322; increase in the first eight years of the twentieth century, 114,804, or 60.24 per cent, the average gain per annum being almost exactly 7.53 per cent, and this despite the loss of the Japan Conferences.

CHURCH TEMPERANCE SOCIETY

THE General Conference of 1908, in order to make more effectual the efforts of the Church to create public sentiment and crystallize the same into successful opposition to the organized traffic in intoxicating liquors, the General Conference hereby authorized the organization of "The Temperance Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," and adopted a Constitution for the Society. (See Discipline 1908, ¶ 444.)

The Board of Managers and the officers of the Society are:

Board of Managers.—Bishop Robert McIntyre, Saint Paul, Minn.; Samuel Dickie, Albion, Mich.; Hon. A. E. Wilson, Chicago, Ill.; Gov. J. F. Hanly, Indianapolis, Ind.; Dr. S. J. Herben, 57 Washington Street, Chicago; Dr. N. E. Simonsen, Evanston, Ill.; W. H. Anderson, 402 American Bldg., Baltimore, Md.; Rev. J. W. Miller, Quincy, Ill; Dr. E. B. Crawford, Woodlawn, Chicago, Ill.; Dr. W. E. Tilroe, Hyde Park, Chicago; Dr. A. H. Norcross, Columbus, O.; Dr. W. A. Smith, Lincoln, Ill.; Dr. Samuel Van Pelt, Peoria, Ill.; W. B. Otwell, Carbondale, Ill.; E. G. Eberhart, Mishawaka, Ind.

Officers.—*President*, Bishop Robert McIntyre; *Vice-President*, Samuel Dickie; *Secretary-Treasurer*, Hon. Alonzo E. Wilson, 92 LaSalle Street, Chicago.

THE CHARTERED FUND

THE full title of this organization is "The Chartered Fund of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States of America." It is the oldest chartered organization connected with the Methodist Episcopal Church. Since 1794, the date of its incorporation under the laws of the state of Pennsylvania, it has paid out in furtherance of its corporate purposes upward of $100,000. The Board of Trustees fill any vacancies that may occur, subject to the approval of the first General Conference that may be held after such vacancies have occurred. The Board has absolute control of the Fund and the disposition thereof. The trustees, from the beginning, have been drawn from the local churches; accordingly the Chartered Fund is entirely distinct as an organization from "The Board of Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church." The Fund amounts to $48,500. It has been slowly accumulated by gifts and devises received almost without

exception from local Methodists, and in many instances from ministers. The income of the Fund is distributed among the several Conferences of the United States, share and share alike. The Board of Trustees, as constituted for the year 1909, is as follows:

President, George I. Bodine; *Secretary*, E. J. Pershing, 1314 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.; *Treasurer*, Franklin I. Bodine; *Additional Members*, James Long, A. D. Harrington, H. Z. Zeigler, J. H. Chubb, H. T. Maris. The office of the organization is located at 129 South Fourth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

BOARD OF CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

This Board, created by the the General Conference of 1908, indicates the growing interest of the Church in behalf of our "worn out" ministers. The Board is constituted as follows:

Bishop Henry Spellmeyer; *Ministers*, Charles W. Baldwin, James Hamilton, Perry Millar, Julius A. Mulfinger, Abraham G. Murray, John W. Van Cleve, Cyrus U. Wade; *Laymen*, John E. Andrus, Marvin Campbell, Horace M. Havner, Oliver H. Horton, James W. Pearsall, Charles Scott, Jr., Ed. L. Young.

Officers.—*President*, Bishop Henry Spellmeyer; *Corresponding Secretary*, Joseph B. Hingeley; *Treasurer*, Marvin Campbell. Office, 57 Washington Street, Chicago, Ill.

SOME INCREASES IN MEMBERSHIP IN 1908

Net gains of 2,000 and over are shown by the following Conferences:

Philippine Islands	6,924	Southern California	2,564
Northwest India	5,044	Colorado	2,405
Illinois	4,777	Indiana	2,695
Pittsburg	2,138		

The following Conferences show net gains exceeding 1,000; namely:

Holston	1,999	Wilmington	1,325
West Virginia	1,881	Mississippi	1,289
North India	1,846	Central Illinois	1,282
Southwest Kansas	1,673	Columbia River	1,233
Upper Mississippi	1,585	Central Pennsylvania	1,197
Oregon	1,569	South Kansas	1,188
Erie	1,532	Nebraska	1,086
Rock River	1,431	East Central Africa	1,080
West Nebraska	1,381	California	1,059
Dakota	1,374	New York East	1,037

THE EVANGELISTIC COMMISSION

The movement which was inaugurated by the General Conference of 1904 under the title of "Aggressive Evangelism" survives, but by action of the General Conference of 1908 the work is continued under the supervision of the Evangelistic Commission, consisting of five bishops and twenty-five advisory members, namely:

Bishops, J. F. Berry, W. F. McDowell, W. F. Anderson, W. A. Quayle, Robert McIntyre.

Advisory Members, John S. Huyler, New York; William Phillips Hall, Greenwich, Conn.; David C. Cook, Elgin, Ill.; James N. Gamble, Cincinnati, O.; George O. Robinson, Detroit; Robert M. Rownd, Buffalo; J. G. Shepherd, Scranton; James E. Ingram, Baltimore; John W. Fisher, Newport, Tenn.; L. M. Alexander, Milwaukee; D. W. Potter, Chicago; T. S. Lippy, Seattle; Hugh Smith, Los Angeles; F. W. Tunnell, Philadelphia; A. M. Shoyer, Pittsburg; Rev. Theodore S. Henderson, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. C. L. Goodell, New York; Rev. B. C. Conner, Altoona, Pa.; Rev. J. P. Brushingham, Chicago; Rev. Robert Stephens, Danville, Ill.; Rev. Thomas Nicholson, New York; Rev. C. L. Mead, Newark; Rev. C. F. Reisner, Denver; Rev. W. F. Sheridan, Baltimore; Rev. C. S. Nusbaum, Independence, Kan.

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CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ALL CAUSES

SUMMARY of the total contributions of the Methodist Episcopal church for all causes in 1906:

Churches and parsonages:	
Building and improving	$10,807,366
Paid on old indebtedness	2,547,113
Ministerial support:	
Bishops, presiding elders, and pastors, salaries and house rent	13,539,774
Current expenses:	
Sexton, fuel, light, Sunday school requisites, etc	5,575,006
Support of ministers occupying non-pastoral positions, secretaries, field agents, chaplains, Conference evangelists, editors, etc	2,924,000
Educational institutions, endowments, etc	3,582,753
Support of deaconesses	510,000
Official benevolences	3,532,769
Other benevolences not in the "official" list	1,250,000
Total	$44,268,781

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMISSIONS

Commission on Judicial Procedure.—*Bishop* Smith; *Ministers*, W. W. Evans, R. J. Cooke; *Laymen*, R. T. Miller, T. H. Anderson.

Commission on Federation.—*Bishops* Walden, Cranston, Wilson; *Ministers*, J. F. Goucher, G. A. Reeder, W. W. Evans; *Laymen*, R. T. Miller, Hanford Crawford, J. A. Patten.

Federation of Colored Churches.—*Bishop* Walden; *Ministers*, W. H. Brooks, J. W. E. Bowen, R. E. Gillum; *Laymen*, I. G. Penn, R. S. Lovinggood, M. S. Davage.

LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT

THIS movement, which is full of promise for the future of missions, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was inaugurated at Saint Louis, Mo., on November 10, 1908. A conference of representative laymen was held in Union Church, at which more than two score Conferences were represented. A plan of organization was adopted. The movement is called "The Laymen's Missionary Movement of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

Its purpose shall be to put before every one of our laymen throughout the world the fact that to our own Church is assigned the task of evangelizing 150,000,000 or more of the non-Christian population of the world; that our missionary success in every field calls urgently for a large immediate increase in our forces, and that the obligation which such knowledge creates is a most sacred privilege of individual cooperation with God in reconciling the world unto Himself.

An address to the men of the Methodist Episcopal Church was prepared, in which were set forth the principles and methods of the movement, and a ringing summons issued to enlist in a worldwide campaign to uplift the nations of the earth. An executive committee was appointed and the following officers were elected: *President*, J. Edgar Leaycraft, New York; *Recording Secretary*, J. R. Joy, New York; *Treasurer*, John T. Stone, Maryland Casualty Building, Baltimore, Md.

COMMITTEE ON ECUMENICAL CONFERENCES

Bishops Goodsell, Hamilton; *Ministers*, E. R. Dille, C. B. Spencer, C. W. Wyant, W. F. Conner, S. J. Greenfield, F. W. Straw, T. E. Fleming, Naphtali Luccock, J. St. C. Neal; *Laymen*, Charles W. Fairbanks, G. F. Washburn, H. K. Carroll, J. E. Ingram, John W. Robinson, William Rawling, J. E. Annis, E. M. Cranston, D. D. Thompson.

COLLEGE PRESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

THIS organization has for its object the consideration of "the educational interests of the Methodist Episcopal Church." The following are the officers of the Association:

President, George H. Bridgman, LL.D., Saint Paul, Minn.; *Vice-President*, George E. Reed, LL.D., Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa.; *Secretary and Treasurer*, L. H. Murlin, D.D., Baker University, Baldwin, Kansas. The next meeting of the Association will be held January 13 and 14, 1909, at Evanston, Ill.

GENERAL DEACONESS BOARD

BISHOPS Berry and Wilson, Mrs. Lucy Rider Meyer, J. N. Gamble, Miss Henrietta Bancroft, Mrs. Margaret D. Moors, Christian Golder, John Lange, L. C. Murdock, W. H. Wilder, F. X. Kreitler.

IV

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLICATION

Declare ye among the nations and publish, and set up a standard.—Jer. 50. 2

IN no department of the church are the evidences of advancement and progress more pronounced than in the department of publication. There is committed to the publishing agents of our denominational literature vast responsibility, not merely for the wise administration of a great financial trust, but likewise for the ethical and spiritual tone of the publications which bear the imprint of the Book Concern. That these interests are properly safeguarded no one attempts to gainsay. It is gratifying to know that the sum of dividends for the beneficiaries of the Church distributed in 1908, exceeds by $10,000 the amount of any previous year—the total being $160,000.

THE METHODIST BOOK CONCERN IN NEW YORK CITY

NOTWITHSTANDING the depressed conditions in the business world, the last fiscal year, ending October 31, 1908, has been one of prosperity for the New York house. While its miscellaneous retail trade has responded in some measure to the general stagnation, yet in the regular periodical and publication departments, the business has been maintained on the high plane of previous years. In the production of new books and in the department of Sunday school supplies, it is the policy of both publishers and editors to be content with nothing short of the best possible products that can be placed upon the market. It is also their aim to adapt these publications to the highest needs of all classes and ages among thoughtful Christian readers. The merchandise department of this house is not only richly supplied with the best up-to-date literature, but is always in position promptly to fill mail orders, not only from the publications of the Concern itself, but as well from the products of all other standard publishing houses. Readers of the YEAR BOOK will do well to remember that any book in the market which they may wish to secure can be promptly furnished by an order upon the New York house.

THE WESTERN BOOK CONCERN

INASMUCH as the fiscal year ends on October 31, at which date the matter for the YEAR BOOK is practically in the composing room, we are unable to present a report for a later date than 1907. In their report to the Book Committee

for the year closing October 31, 1907, the agents, Messrs. Jennings & Graham, say:

We have had a year of uniform prosperity in our business. There was promise at the beginning and through the greater part of the year of the largest returns of any year of our history, but with the later months of the year came what we might call an arrest of prosperity. Business at once became more conservative throughout the country, and the story of the financial troubles through which we have passed thus far is too familiar to be repeated. There has not been a very marked change in the results that would have come to us under ordinary conditions; we expect a larger difference in the record of the current year. In spite of the fact that the later months of the year were not as full of business as we had hoped, we nevertheless make a showing of which we do not need to be ashamed. We have installed a new engine and dynamo for the furnishing of power and light for our business. Concerning the *Advocates* published by the Western House the publishing agents say: "We are glad to report a greatly improved condition in the family of *Advocates* published by our House." The price of the *Western*, *Northwestern*, and *Central* was restored from $1.50 to $2.00, reviving the commission to pastors and netting to us 25 cents more on each paper. Our great *Advocates* in the Middle West have stood for so much through the long years of their honorable history, and stand for so much today in the economy of the Church, that gratifying financial results of the past year would seem to simplify the problem of their continued existence. Of the Sunday school periodicals the agents testify: "We have had the most satisfactory year in our history," while concerning books they affirm that "during the past year we have gone on with the manufacture and sale of our own books, and we have found an increasing demand and have somewhat increased the output. It is interesting to note the steady growth of appreciation by our own people of the books issued by the Book Concern."

THE BOOK COMMITTEE

The Book Committee was created by the General Conference of 1804. The Committee is composed of one member from each of the General Conference districts, fifteen in number, into which the Annual Conferences are distributed. Those elected from the odd numbered districts to be elected for a term of eight years, and those from the even districts for a term of four years; and thereafter there shall be elected by each General Conference, for a term of eight years, one member for each district, to take the place of the member from the district whose term is then expiring or to fill vacancies, and five members from New York or its vicinity, to be known as the Local Committee in New York; and five members from Cincinnati or vicinity, to be known as the Local Committee in Cincinnati. The Book Committee shall, during the interval of the General Conference, have power to fill vacancies occurring in its own body. In all cases the person appointed to such vacancy shall be from the same Conference to which the retiring member belonged, or within the bounds of the Conference in which he resided. The Committee shall have general supervision of the publishing interests of the Church, examine care-

fully into their condition, and make report of the same to the Annual Conferences and to the General Conference.

For the further functions and prerogatives of the Book Committee see the Discipline for 1908, ¶¶ 355–359. The annual meeting of the Book Committee is held on the second Wednesday of February. Each section shall have meetings at such times as it may elect.

Members.—The following constitutes the present membership of the Book Committee:

District	Name	Conference
I.	Silas Pierce	New England.
II.	C. S. Wing	New York East.
III.	J. G. Shepherd	Wyoming.
IV.	A. S. Mowbray	Wilmington.
V.	W. F. Whitlock	North Ohio.
VI.	J. A. Patten	Holston.
VII.	W. H. Logan	Texas.
VIII.	Hanford Crawford	Saint Louis.
IX.	O. P. Miller	Northwest Iowa.
X.	J. F. Harmon	Southern Illinois.
XI.	C. E. Bacon	Indiana.
XII.	D. W. Springer	Detroit.
XIII.	W. E. Bleutsch	Chicago German.
XIV.	R. V. Watt	California.
XV.	W. W. Van Dusen	Idaho.

Local Committee at New York: E. B. Tuttle, J. E. Andrus, J. W. Pearsall, J. Edgar Leaycraft, G. F. Washburn; *Local Committee at Cincinnati:* Richard Dymond, J. N. Gamble, R. T. Miller, J. M. Kittleman, W. C. Herron.

Book Editor and Editor of Tracts, elected by the Book Committee; R. J. Cooke, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, and 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O.

QUADRENNIAL SALES

A STATEMENT of the quadrennial sales of the two publishing houses at New York and Cincinnati, since the division of the Church in 1844, is given in the following table:

	Eastern Book Concern	Western Book Concern	Total
Quadrennial Report, May, 1848	$ 487,222 04	$ 125,413 65	$ 612,635 69
" " " 1852	653,190 78	200,829 53	854,020 31
" " " 1856	1,000,734 18	877,214 38	1,877,948 56
" " " 1860	1,175,867 29	1,127,851 00	2,303,718 29
" " " 1864	1,507,873 18	1,287,694 36	2,795,567 54
" " " 1868	2,535,199 77	2,399,508 43	4,934,708 20
" " " 1872	2,426,840 42	2,801,677 16	5,228,517 58
" " " 1876	3,215,612 57	2,830,096 67	6,045,709 24
" " " 1880	3,415,016 75	2,675,125 82	6,090,142 57
" " " 1884	3,534,595 75	2,920,891 53	6,455,487 28
" " " 1888	4,017,327 48	3,327,063 03	7,344,390 51
" " " 1892	4,235,203 78	3,951,233 75	8,186,437 53
" " " 1896	3,900,405 38	4,049,691 26	7,950,096 64
" " " 1900	3,714,903 35	4,143,131 08	7,858,034 43
" " " 1904	3,597,692 16	4,650,800 51	8,248,492 67
" " " 1908	4,175,019 22	5,371,251 33	9,546,270 55
Total sales since 1844	$43,592,704 10	$42,739,473 49	$86,332,177 59

PUBLISHING AGENTS

At New York, N. Y.: Homer Eaton, D.D., G. P. Mains, D.D. Name of firm, "Eaton & Mains," 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.
At Cincinnati, O.: H. C. Jennings, D.D., E. R. Graham. Name of firm, "Jennings & Graham," 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O.

DEPOSITORIES

The depositories of the New York House for 1908 are as follows:
Boston, Mass.: 36 Bromfield Street.
Pittsburg, Pa.: 524 Penn Avenue.
Detroit, Mich.: 21 Adams Avenue, East.

And of the Cincinnati House:
Chicago, Ill.: 57 Washington Street.
Kansas City, Mo.: 1121 McGee Street.
San Francisco, Cal.: Temporary address, Barker Block, Berkeley.

THE METHODIST REVIEW

Suppose the question had been asked of the general public in 1818, which of the denominations in America would have the intellectuality, the scholarship, and the business enterprise to originate and at that time maintain for a century with increasing success a high-grade, theological, philosophical, historical, and literary review. How many persons would have answered, "The Methodist Episcopal"? Whether few or many would have so answered, that is the answer which the almost completed century since then has given. For ours is the one only Church that has succeeded in such an enterprise, though many efforts have been made within the other churches. This achievement gives to the Methodist Episcopal Church, beyond possibility of dispute, the prestige of an illustrious preëminence in intellectual leadership. It recalls the saying of Edward Everett that no Church has done more for education than the Methodist.

Beginning in 1818 as "The Methodist Magazine," its title was changed in 1830 to "The Methodist Magazine and Quarterly Review," and in 1841 to "The Methodist Quarterly Review." In 1885 it became a bimonthly with the title it now bears.

The Methodist Review has never seen in all its ninety years so great prosperity as now. Its circulation, exceeding that of any other publication of its class in the world, increases steadily. In the section west of the Ohio River it has doubled within four years. The Church is waking up to the value of the Review. In some Conferences last fall the circulation increased one hundred per cent.

The Review spreads a bountiful table of things choice and rich, numbering, as it does, among its contributors scholars of world-wide fame and unsurpassed erudition, and foremost masters of literature and learning in many departments. Its pages are not dull, prosy and monotonous, like some Reviews that could be named, but sparkling with vivid life and fresh variety. Hosts of ministers (not all of them Methodists) count it helpful and indispensable in their work; while intelligent women and educated young people in many homes testify to its charm and value.

It is published at the low price of $2.50 a year, with a reduction to ministers. The usual price of such a periodical is $3.00 a year.

OFFICIAL PERIODICALS

English Magazines.—*Methodist Review*, W. V. Kelley, D.D., L.H.D., editor; Eaton & Mains, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York; Jennings & Graham, 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O., publishers. Per year, $2.50. Bimonthly.

World-Wide Missions, A. B. Leonard, D.D., and H. C. Stuntz, D.D., editors; Charles H. Fahs, managing editor; Board of Foreign Missions, publishers, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York. One copy one year, 25 cents; 10 copies, one year, one address, $1.50. Subscription price included in all contributions of $1 or more to the Society; only one copy to go into a home at this rate. Monthly.

English Periodicals, Weekly.—*California Christian Advocate*, F. D. Bovard, D.D., editor; Jennings & Graham, publishers, San Francisco, Cal. Per year, $1.50.

Central Christian Advocate, C. B. Spencer, D.D., editor; Jennings & Graham, publishers, 1121 McGee Street, Kansas City, Mo. Per year, $2.

Christian Advocate, J. M. Buckley, D.D., LL.D., editor; Eaton & Mains, publishers, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York. Per year, $2.50.

Epworth Herald, S. J. Herben, D.D., editor; Jennings & Graham, 57 Washington Street, Chicago, Ill., Eaton & Mains, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, publishers. Per year, $1.

Methodist Advocate-Journal, J. J. Manker, D.D., editor; The Union Methodist Publishing Co., publishers, Knoxville, Tenn. Per year, $1.

Northwestern Christian Advocate, [1] David D. Thompson, LL.D., editor; Jennings & Graham, publishers, 57 Washington Street. Chicago, Ill. Per year, $2.

Pacific Christian Advocate, Daniel L. Rader, D.D., editor; Jennings & Graham, publishers, Portland, Ore. Per year, $1.50.

Pittsburg Christian Advocate, J. J. Wallace, D.D., editor; published by special committee of the General Conference, 524 Penn Avenue, Pittsburg, Pa. Per year, $1.

Southwestern Christian Advocate, Robert E. Jones, editor; Eaton & Mains, publishers, 429 Carondelet Street, New Orleans, La. Per year, $1.25.

Western Christian Advocate, Levi Gilbert, D.D., editor; Jennings & Graham, publishers, 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O. Per year, $2.

Epworth League Publications.—The editor of all the publications of this organization is S. J. Herben, D.D.; General Secretary Epworth League, E. M. Randall, D.D., 57 Washington Street, Chicago, Ill.

German Periodicals.—*Christliche Apologete* (*Christian Apologist*), A. J. Nast, D.D., editor; Jennings & Graham, publishers, 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O. Per year, $2. Weekly.

Haus und Herd, Frederick Munz, D.D., editor; Jennings & Graham, publishers, 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O. Per year, $1.50. Monthly.

Die Glocke (*Sunday School Bell*), Frederick Munz, D.D., editor;

[1] Died, Nov. 10, 1908.

Jennings & Graham, publishers, 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O. Per year, weekly, 50 cents; semimonthly, 30 cents.

Sunday School Books and Periodicals.—The editor of these publications is J. T. McFarland, D.D. The prices stated include prepayment of postage.

Sunday School Journal and Bible Student's Magazine. Monthly. In clubs of six and over, 50 cents; single subscription, 60 cents.

The Adult Bible Class and Teacher-Training Monthly. In clubs of six and over, 40 cents; single subscription, 50 cents. Single copy, 5 cents.

Senior Berean Lesson Quarterly. Illustrated. 20 cents.

Illustrated Berean Lesson Quarterly. For intermediate students. Profusely illustrated by pictures and maps. 12 cents.

Berean Intermediate Lesson Quarterly. Per quarter, 1 1-2 cents; per year, 5 1-2 cents.

Lesson Leaf. Quarterly. Cut for weekly distribution. 4 cents.

Boys and Girls' Quarterly. Illustrated. For the Junior Department. 12 cents.

Shorter Junior Lesson Quarterly. 5 cents.

Berean Primary Teacher. Quarterly. Single copies, 12 cents; per year, 40 cents.

Bible Study Home Department Quarterly. Single copies 25 cents. In clubs of six and over 20 cents.

Classmate. Illustrated. Weekly. In clubs of six and over, at the rate of 50 cents; single subscription, 75 cents.

Sunday School Advocate for Boys and Girls. Illustrated. Weekly. In clubs of six and over, at the rate of 25 cents; single subscription, 30 cents.

Picture Lesson Paper. In clubs of six and over, at the rate of 20 cents; single subscription, 25 cents. For weekly distribution to the Primary Class. Mailed monthly, but arranged with 52 parts to the year. Printed in colors.

The Leaf Cluster. Per quarter, 75 cents; per year, $3. Including supplement to Berean Leaf Cluster.

Berean Lesson Pictures. Per quarter, 2 1-2 cents; per year, 10 cents. The cartoons of *The Leaf Cluster* beautifully reproduced on small cards for distribution to primary pupils.

Berean Beginner's Lessons. Quarterly. Single copies, 15 cents; per year, 50 cents.

Large Picture Cards. For teachers' use in developing the lessons. Quarterly. Per quarter, 75 cents; per year, $3.

Golden Text Cards. Quarterly. Per quarter, 6 cents; per year, 24 cents.

V

OFFICIAL BENEVOLENCES

Freely ye have received, freely give—Matt. 10. 8

OFFICIAL BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS

THE confusion in reporting the benevolent collections of the Church, resulting from the consolidation of the benevolences, still obtains to some extent. In 1908 some Conferences used the statistical forms that were in vogue prior to consolidation referred to, thereby rendering it impossible for us to institute perfect comparisons with former years.

We present herewith a comparative exhibit of official benevolent collections year by year, 1901–1907 inclusive, or for the first seven years of the twentieth century. The increase in 1907 over 1900 was $1,317,989. Elsewhere the collections for 1908 are given, the figures of the Conferences held late in November and in December being those of 1907. In this connection we may say however that the collections for 1908 show an aggregate gain over 1907 of $88,774:

OFFICIAL BENEVOLENCES	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906	1907
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
1. MISSIONS: Church	812,005	833,485	914,957	1,080,440	1,078,420	1,079,141	1,122,543	896,732
Sunday School	405,175	411,334	432,531	470,295	484,322	510,773	537,911	524,852
Special Gifts	....	....	....	....	....	109,494	181,057	226,470
Woman's Foreign	363,955	362,746	396,499	436,498	448,162	470,702	544,438	562,955
Woman's Home: Cash	221,346	256,760	282,303	295,235	333,080	318,919	347,639	343,677
Supplies	....	....	....	....	....	109,980	63,268	57,926
2. CHURCH EXTENSION	131,557	126,873	146,026	158,727	146,147	153,684	173,254	481,452
3. SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION:								
Church	22,613	23,212	25,827	26,534	27,081	23,573	24,299	21,739
Sunday School	....	....	....	....	....	6,187	7,580	3,336
4. TRACT SOCIETY	20,887	20,879	21,980	21,959	22,082	22,644	23,880	10,180
5. FREEDMEN'S AID, etc.	125,037	119,705	124,954	127,597	124,519	136,535	172,994	145,470
6. EDUCATION: Public Col.	110,312	121,341	211,758	202,559	163,920	195,887	188,491	215,811
Children's Fund	58,121	65,532	69,520	60,550	69,386	69,757	73,462	89,346
7. AMERICAN BIBLE SOC'Y.	28,802	29,764	30,211	32,155	35,874	36,088	40,074	37,853
	2,299,810	2,371,631	2,656,566	2,921,549	2,932,993	3,243,364	3,500,890	3,617,799

NOTE.—Prior to 1907 the Missionary Society covered both the foreign and home fields; in 1907 the contributions were for the Board of Foreign Missions.

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

THE Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, organized January 1, 1907, is the successor of what was known from 1819 to 1906 as the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Pursuant to the action of the General Conference of 1904, on the consolidation of the Benevolences of the Church, decreeing the separation of the Foreign and the Home Missionary work of the denomination, the

Board of Foreign Missions undertook the administration of the affairs of the interest first named. During the eighty-nine years of its existence the receipts of the Missionary Society amounted in the aggregate to $46,485,957.17, and from the beginning to the close of its history not a dollar was diverted from the beneficent purpose for which its funds were contributed by peculation or the dishonesty of the officials whom the Church honored with the administration thereof. Surely this is a glorious record.

TABLE I

Conferences and Missions	Annual Meetings in 1908	
	Place and Date	Bishop
Liberia	Harper, February 5	Scott.
West Central Africa	Loanda, Angola, February 8	Dodson (P. E.)
East Central Africa	Umtali, November 22, 1907	Hartzell.
Mexico	Mexico City, February 27	Berry.
South America	Buenos Aires, February 5	Neely.
Andes	Santiago, January 10	Neely.
North Andes	Lima, December 26, 1907	Neely.
North Germany	Hamburg, July 15-20	Burt.
South Germany	Ebingen, June 24	Burt.
Switzerland	Adliswel, July 1	Burt.
Norway	Aalisund, August 12-16	Burt.
Sweden	Karlskrona, July 29-August 3	Burt.
Denmark	Copenhagen, July 22-26	Burt.
Finland and Saint Petersburg	Tammerfors, August 26-30	Burt.
Italy	Turin, June 17	Burt.
Bulgaria	Lovetch, September 10-13	Burt.
Korea	Seoul, March 11	Harris.
Foochow	Foochow, October 16-21, 1907	Bashford.
Hinghua	Hinghua City, October 24, 1907	Bashford.
Central China	Nanking, October 5, 1907	Bashford.
North China	Peking, October 7, 1908	Bashford.
West China	Tsicheo, January 16-20	Bashford.
North India	Lucknow, January 3	Robinson.
Northwest India	Muttra, January 9	Robinson.
South India	Vepery Madras, December 12	Warne.
Central Provinces	Khandwa, January 22	Oldham.
Bombay	Bombay, December 18, 1907	Warne.
Bengal	Muzaffarpur, Bengal, January 16	Warne.
Burma	Rangoon, February 1	Robinson.
Malaysia	Singapore, December 13, 1907	Oldham.
Philippine Islands	Manila, March 3	Robinson.
France	Lyons, July 9	Burt.

The Missions in Protestant lands are those in Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Germany, and Switzerland. The Methodist Episcopal Church assists the Methodist churches that have there been organized, and these report 904 ordained and unordained native preachers, 52,744 members, and 9,562 probationers.

The Missions in Roman Catholic lands are those in South America, Italy, Mexico, France and the Philippines. In these countries the Methodist Episcopal Church has 169 foreign missionaries, 677 ordained and unordained native preachers, 20,136 members, and 19,010 probationers.

The Missions in Greek Church lands are in Bulgaria, and a small Mission in Saint Petersburg, Russia. In Bulgaria are 17 ordained and unordained native preachers, 398 members, and 134 probationers. In Saint Petersburg are 20 members and 6 probationers.

The Missions in non-Christian lands are those in Africa, China, Korea, India, and Malaysia. In these countries the Methodist Episcopal Church has 720 foreign missionaries, 3,094 native preachers, 70,047 members, and 118,229 probationers.

In Japan there are 85 Methodist Episcopal foreign missionaries. The Japan Methodist Church was organized in 1907.

The statistics we present herewith are the official statistics embodied in the General Minutes of the Spring Conferences and the Fall Conferences (the latter as yet unpublished) for 1908.

TABLE II

Missions	When Commenced	Organized as a Conference or Mission	Probationers	Full Members	Baptisms During Year
Africa:					
Liberia	1833	1836	1,103	3,194	565
East Central Africa	1892	1901	2,110	492	170
West Central Africa	1892	1902	142	187	12
China:					
Foochow	1847	1877	6,560	7,110	1,391
Central China	1867	1869	620	1,132	62
North China	1869	1893	1,850	4,465	698
West China	1881	....	1,533	1,578	242
Hinghua	1864	1896	2,047	3,502	682
Germany	1849				
North Germany	....	1892	4,270	8,616	355
South Germany	....	1892	1,696	10,112	294
Switzerland	1856	1886	984	8,435	221
Sweden	1854	1876	1,482	13,948	144
Norway	1853	1876	436	5,618	358
Denmark	1857	1869	270	3,501	691
Finland and Saint Petersburg	1884	1892	290	1,077	17
France	1907	1907	188	33	....
India:					
Central Provinces	....	1905	2,288	1,288	700
North India	1856	1864	22,457	15,527	4,742
Northwest India	1892	1893	37,652	21,486	10,270
South India	1872	1876	3,136	1,219	1,649
Bengal	1872	1893	2,186	1,242	750
Bombay	1872	1892	14,465	1,837	1,952
Burma	1879	1901	458	553	96
Malaysia	1885	1893	1,159	1,530	357
Philippine Islands	1890	1905	15,052	12,550	3,283
Bulgaria	1857	1892	121	426	10
Italy	1871	1881	844	2,825	81
Mexico	1873	1885	3,001	2,859	507
Korea	1885	1905	18,946	5,298	1,524
South America	1836	1893	1,964	3,144	489
Andes	1877	1901	1,903	2,047	413
North Andes	....	1905	358	176	29

Board of Managers.—Article IV of the Constitution of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church directs that the management and disposition of the affairs and property of the Board of Foreign Missions and the administration of the appropriations and

all other funds shall be vested in a Board of Managers, consisting of the general superintendents and the missionary bishops, who shall be *ex officio* members of said Board, thirty-two laymen, and thirty-two traveling ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, elected by the General Conference, according to the requirements of the existing Charter of said Board of Foreign Missions. Vacancies in the Board shall be filled as the Charter provides; and the absence, without reasonable excuse, of any member from six consecutive meetings of the Board shall create a vacancy. The Board shall also have authority to make by-laws, not inconsistent with this Constitution or the Charter, to print books, periodicals, and tracts for foreign missions; to elect a president, vice-presidents, and a recording secretary, also such additional assistant secretaries as may be necessary; to fill vacancies that may occur among the officers elective of its own body; and shall present a statement of its transactions and funds to the Church in its annual report, and shall also lay before the General Conference a report of its transactions for the preceding four years, and the state of its funds.

The regular meetings of the Board are held in the Mission Rooms, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, on the third Tuesday of each month at 3 P.M. The present membership is as follows:

The general superintendents and the missionary bishops, *ex officio: Ministers:* A. K. Sanford, J. M. Buckley, H. A. Buttz, J. F. Goucher, C. S. Harrower, H. A. Monroe, Homer Eaton, C. R. Barnes, E. S. Tipple, S. W. Thomas, S. W. Gehrett, G. P. Mains, F. M. North, A. H. Tuttle, W. V. Kelley, J. L. Hurlbut, C. S. Wing, G. P. Eckman, J. B. Faulks, B. C. Conner, J. W. Marshall, W. I. Haven, D. G. Downey, A. J. Coultas, A. G. Kynett, C. H. Buck, J. E. Adams, Allan MacRossie, Charles Reuss, Wallace MacMullen, John Krantz, P. M. Watters. *Laymen:* J. S. McLean, G. J. Ferry, G. G. Reynolds, Lemuel Skidmore, E. B. Tuttle, W. H. Falconer, J. M. Cornell, A. H. De Haven, E. L. Dobbins, J. F. Rusling, J. E. Andrus, John Beattie, Summerfield Baldwin, G. C. Batcheller, J. R. Curran, Willis McDonald, G. F. Secor, Charles Gibson, J. H. Welch, Costello Lippitt, G. W. F. Swartzell, J. R. Mott, J. M. Bulwinkle, J. W. Pearsall, John Gribbell, F. A. Horne, J. E. Leaycraft, M. S. Cornell, R. A. Flanders, G. I. Bodine, W. A. Leonard, W. O. Gantz.

General Committee of Foreign Missions.—This body has vast responsibilities It designates the territory that shall be occupied in foreign lands, the number of workers to be employed therein, and makes the appropriations for the prosecution of the work in both the foreign and domestic fields. It is composed of the general superintendents, missionary bishops, secretaries, treasurers, district members, and fifteen managers elected annually by the Board. The annual meeting is held in November on the day named by the secretaries and treasurers of the Board of Foreign Missions, and at the place designated by the previous Committee. The district members are elected quadrennially by the General Conference. Vacancies occurring during the quadrennium are filled by the bishops. The district members are likewise members of the General Committees of Home Missions and Church Extension and the Freedmen's Aid Society. The following are the present district representatives:

District	Name	Conference
I.	D. B. Holt	Maine
	David Gordon	New England Southern
II.	J. W. Marshall	New Jersey
	J. Edgar Leaycraft	New York
III.	Ray Allen	Genesee
	T. D. Collins	Erie
IV.	B. C. Conner	Central Pennsylvania
	J. H. Holt	West Virginia
V.	L. H. Stewart	East Ohio
	O. F. Hypes	Cincinnati
VI.	B. F. Witherspoon	South Carolina
	W. T. Smith	Holston
VII.	G. G. Logan	Upper Mississippi
	R. S. Lovinggood	West Texas
VIII.	J. S. Ford	Kansas
	J. L. Taylor	South Kansas
IX.	E. A. Schell	Iowa
	C. R. Benedict	Des Moines
X.	R. E. Buckey	Central Illinois
	Perley Lowe	Rock River
XI.	L. J. Naftzger	North Indiana
	W. E. Carpenter	Northwest Indiana
XII.	J. G. Moore	North Dakota
	F. L. Clemans	Minnesota
XIII.	W. H. Rolfing	Northwest German
	Wm. Albrecht	West German
XIV.	W. D. Phifer	Colorado
	A. J. Wallace	Southern California
XV.	W. B. Hollingshead	Oregon
	L. V. Wells	Columbia River

The annual meeting of the General Committee for 1908 was held in Saint Louis, Missouri, beginning November 6. The following members, fifteen in number, represented the Board. *Ministerial:* J. M. Buckley, A. G. Kynett, G. P. Eckman, W. V. Kelley, F. M. North, C. R. Barnes, C. S. Wing. *Reserves:* Allan MacRossie, E. S. Tipple, A. J. Coultas. *Lay:* G. W. F. Swartzell, J. M. Bulwinkle, Willis McDonald, J. W. Pearsall, John Beattie, E. L. Dobbins, Charles Gibson, Lemuel Skidmore. *Reserves:* W. A. Leonard, F. A. Horne, M. S. Cornell.

Officers.—The general officers of the Board for 1908 are as follows: *President,* Bishop D. A. Goodsell; *Vice-Presidents,* the remaining general superintendents, and G. G. Reynolds, G. J. Ferry, J. S. McLean, J. F. Rusling, J. M. Buckley, D.D., A. K. Sanford, D.D., E. L. Dobbins, Costello Lippitt; *Corresponding Secretary,* A. B. Leonard, D.D.; *First Assistant Corresponding Secretary,* H. C. Stuntz, D.D.; *Recording Secretary,* S. O. Benton, D.D.; *Treasurer,* Homer Eaton, D.D.; *Assistant Treasurer,* H. C. Jennings, D.D.; *Field Secretaries,* G. B. Smyth, D.D., J. M. Trimble, D.D., J. C. Floyd, D.D., G. G. Logan, D.D.; *Field Secretary for Young People's Work,* S. Earl Taylor; *Missionary Editor,* C. H. Fahs. Office, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Receipts

CONFERENCES	From Nov. 1, 1907, to Oct. 31, 1908	CONFERENCES	From Nov. 1, 1907, to Oct. 31, 1908	CONFERENCES	From Nov. 1, 1907, to Oct. 31, 1908
Alabama	$609 95	Holston	$3,114 37	Oregon	$4,888 97
Alaska	225 02	Idaho	2,663 05	Pacific German	854 00
Andes	125 40	Illinois	23,725 20	Pacific Japanese	531 00
Arizona	1,042 00	Indiana	19,207 39	Pacific Swedish	524 00
Arkansas	846 43	Iowa	12,487 27	Philadelphia	36,065 66
Atlanta	553 82	Italy	457 20	Philippine Islands	.....
Atlantic	95	Kansas	11,747 06	Pittsburg	32,294 20
Austin	1,067 12	Kentucky	1,458 00	Porto Rico	42 00
Baltimore	24,704 43	Korea	.....	Puget Sound	8,467 39
Bengal	.....	Lexington	759 75	Rock River	28,131 71
Black Hills	390 00	Liberia	228 00	Saint Johns River	1,011 34
Blue Ridge	764 50	Lincoln	167 12	Saint Louis	9,429 06
Bombay	.....	Little Rock	338 50	Saint Louis German	3,632 10
Bulgaria	46 91	Louisiana	982 00	Savannah	230 55
Burma	95 40	Maine	5,577 95	South America	839 36
California	8,582 94	Malaysia	166 18	South Carolina	3,321 31
California German	970 50	Mexico	575 01	South Florida	70 00
Central Alabama	41 05	Michigan	17,289 09	South Germany	973 93
Central China	.....	Minnesota	6,247 07	South India	125 67
Central German	4,422 25	Mississippi	748 28	South Kansas	8,655 67
Central Illinois	17,890 12	Missouri	6,635 79	Southern California	19,443 06
Central Missouri	422 04	Mobile	176 00	Southern German	1,941 00
Central New York	22,915 10	Montana	1,935 68	Southern Illinois	10,099 06
Central Ohio	20,520 93	Nebraska	12,563 32	Southwest Kansas	12,474 27
Cent. Pennsylvania	37,574 41	Nevada	808 00	Sweden	4,000 00
Central Provinces	.....	New England	16,235 72	Switzerland	1,954 00
Central Swedish	2,794 00	New Eng. Southern	9,664 48	Tennessee	106 25
Central Tennessee	463 52	New Hampshire	4,117 91	Texas	529 60
Chicago German	2,866 50	New Jersey	17,262 41	Troy	26,927 52
Chile, *see* Andes.	.....	New Mexico English	1,055 00	Upper Iowa	15,153 51
Chinese	222 00	New Mexico Spanish	206 90	Upper Mississippi	69 88
Cincinnati	15,858 70	New York	26,085 92	Utah	855 28
Colorado	10,263 86	New York East	27,467 87	Vermont	3,578 93
Columbia River	5,868 90	Newark	25,777 49	Washington	2,695 80
Dakota	9,041 66	North Andes	.....	West Central Africa	4 83
Delaware	3,054 11	North Carolina	345 00	West China	50 53
Denmark	538 36	North China	458 55	West German	6,072 20
Des Moines	20,281 98	North Dakota	4,098 04	West Nebraska	3,365 36
Detroit	17,595 81	North Germany	1,107 00	West Texas	809 50
East Central Africa	.....	North India	343 38	West Virginia	11,164 32
East German	3,211 75	North Indiana	18,896 17	West Wisconsin	6,403 93
East Maine	2,040 42	North Montana	864 26	Western Nor.-Danish	582 50
East Ohio	30,185 18	North Nebraska	4,884 89	Western Swedish	1,789 85
East Oklahoma	652 87	North Ohio	11,783 10	Wilmington	14,796 52
East Tennessee	157 90	Northern German	2,112 04	Wisconsin	10,187 63
Eastern South America, *see* South America	.....	Northern Minnesota	6,277 62	Wyoming	20,167 82
		Northern New York	11,770 94	Wyoming Mission	1,058 58
Eastern Swedish	1,579 08	Northern Swedish	1,455 35		
Erie	19,383 91	Northwest German	2,329 00	Total from Conf's	$1,013,272 36
Fini'd & St. Petersb'g	623 30	Northwest India	.....		
Florida	305 30	Northwest Indiana	11,885 24		
Foochow	184 95	Northwest Iowa	14,296 89		
Genesee	20,783 88	Northwest Kansas	6,531 21	Conference Collect'ns	$1,013,272 36
Georgia	300 70	Northwest Nebraska	787 50	Lapsed Annuities	18,529 49
Gulf	619 83	Norway	751 08	Legacies	27,240 88
Hawaii	.....	Norwegian & Danish	2,663 00	Miscellaneous	1,535 48
Hinghua	32 04	Ohio	17,187 12		
		Oklahoma	5,197 65	Total	$1,060,578 21

Disbursements

Andes (Including Bolivia, $4,274 51)	$36,824 60	Liberia	$16,419 45
Bengal	21,799 15	Malaysia	25,064 92
Bombay	30,818 06	Mexico	63,986 74
Bulgaria	9,794 81	North Andes (including Panama, $4,184 22)	18,888 58
Burma	10,900 12	North China	55,251 83
Central China	47,851 52	North Germany	19,689 60
Central Provinces	20,486 37	North India	66,485 49
China, Editor and Publishing Agent	3,685 10	Northwest India	37,635 73
Denmark	8,002 25	Norway	12,367 00
East Central Africa (including Inhambane, $2,979 24, and Rhodesia, $13,687 38)	16,666 62	Philippine Islands	28,747 49
		South America	57,744 19
East Japan	43,050 78	South Germany	18,421 22
Finland and Saint Petersburg	12,146 10	South India	25,837 97
Foochow	33,083 08	Sweden	10,479 61
Germany and Switzerland	999 05	Switzerland	7,896 31
Hinghua	12,536 89	West Central Africa (including Angola, $10,414 21, and Madeira Islands, $3,835 90)	14,250 11
Italy	58,095 74		
Korea	29,601 92	West China	23,807 87

West Japan	$25,306 37
Foreign Missions	$924,722 64
Support of Missionary Bishops	25,382 50
Incidental Needs of Missions (not including $25,831 19, charged in Mission accounts)	6,647 64
Allowances for Retired Missionaries, Widows and Orphans	19,775 50
Publication Fund	48,902 44
Young People's Work	8,958 32
Salaries of Field Secretaries (including Salaries and Expenses of Assistant Secretaries, $8,372 62; Salaries and Expenses of Field Secretaries, $16,170 99; other Open Door Emergency Expenses, $5,001 94)	$29,545 55
Salaries of Office Secretaries	15,500 00
Office and General Committee Expenses	20,986 78
Miscellaneous Expenses (including Interest, net, $4,566 21)	11,515 53
Total Disbursements	$1,111,916 90

Combined Statement of Regular Receipts and Disbursements and Special Gifts

Regular Receipts and Disbursements

Disbursements from November 1, 1907, to October 31, 1908	$1,111,916 90
Receipts from November 1, 1907, to October 31, 1908	1,060,578 21
Disbursements in excess of Receipts	$51,338 69
Balance, Treasury in Debt, November 1, 1907	60,861 23
Balance, Treasury in Debt, November 1, 1908	$112,199 92

Special Gifts

Balance on hand, November 1, 1907	$49,009 00
Receipts during the year	281,757 85
	$330,766 85
Disbursements during the year	285,704 86
Balance on hand, November 1, 1908	$45,061 99

Combined Receipts

Regular Receipts from November 1, 1907, to October 31, 1908	$1,060,578 21
Special Gifts received from November 1, 1907, to October 31, 1908	281,757 85
	$1,342,336 06

Combined Disbursements

Regular Disbursements from November 1, 1907, to October 31, 1908	$1,111,916 90
Special Gifts forwarded during the year	285,704 86
	$1,397,621 76

Analysis of Disbursements (in Part)

Emergencies in the Missions

Outgoing and Homecoming Expenses of missionaries and their families	$27,429 53
Sundry special allowances to missionaries and their families	10,224 19
Sundry special grants to Missions; (a) Property items (including $700, for rebuilding in Malaysia; $1,269, for building to meet sanitary requirements in Panama; $950, for repairs on missionary's house in North India; $1,295, for repairs on churches in Italy)..$8,268 94. (b) Other items (including $2,000 to make good the overdraft of J. E. Scott; $750, for relief of native preachers in South India; $750 for the industrial school at Nadiad, Bombay Conference)..... $5,657 40	13,926 34
Total (all charged in Mission accounts)	$51,580 06

Incidental Needs of the Missions

Outgoing and Homecoming Expenses of missionaries and their families	$7,598 55
Salaries and allowances for missionaries and their families	8,984 10
Sundry allowances for Property and repairs ($2,682 76); Furniture ($1,910); Rent ($357 50); Freight and Moving expenses ($344 44); and Legal expenses ($100)	5,374 70
Sundry allowances for the Press in the Philippines ($300); Debt carried by C. B. Ward in the Central Provinces ($750); our share of the printing expenses of the Commission for the organization of the Japan Methodist Church ($337 95); allowance to reimburse contractor for losses on Chinzei College, West Japan Mission ($500); allowance to relieve mission workers and boarding school at Garhwal, North India ($500); and other items ($1,835 88)	$4,223 84
Episcopal Visitation of foreign conferences	4,875 41
Examination of Candidates	872 04
Cablegrams	550 19
Total (including $25,831 19 charged in Mission accounts)	$32,478 83

Miscellaneous Expenses

Interest ($8,816 59, less $4,250 38, Interest received)	$4,566 21
Conference Visitation by secretaries and other representatives of the Board	2,124 58
Salary of Dr. H. K. Carroll, for June, July and August, 1908	1,250 00
Other items: Exchange ($427 96); printing ($287 83); auditing accounts ($400); settlement of claim for damages at our property in Driggs Avenue, Brooklyn ($250); Secretary's visit to Mexico ($296 36); our share of loss account Kennedy property ($370 50); crisis collection expenses ($312 02); and other items ($1,230 07)	3,574 74
Total (including Interest)	$11,515 53

Appropriations for 1909.—The following are the ap-

propriations ordered by the General Missionary Committee in November, 1908, for the year 1909:

I. Appropriations for the Missions to be Directly Administered by the Board

(1) Support of Missionary Bishops	$24,050
(2) Emergencies in the Missions	50,000
(3) Incidental Needs of the Missions	23,000
(4) Allowances for retired Missionaries, widows and orphans	18,000
Total	$115,050

II. Appropriations for the Mission Fields

Note.—All appropriations are to be distributed by the Finance Committees of the respective Missions, with the concurrence of the presiding bishops and the approval of the Board of Managers. In the distribution of appropriations if, in the judgment of the Finance Committees of the respective Missions, the bishops in charge, and the Board of Managers, any part thereof can be applied to property, it may be done.

DIVISION 1.—Eastern Asia

1. China:

(1) Foochow Conference	$28,325
(2) Hinghua Conference	12,200
(3) Central China Mission Conference	40,635
(4) North China Conference	53,300
(5) West China Mission Conference	18,340
One-half salary and rent for Publishing Agent at Shanghai	1,500
Salary and rent for Editor	2,250
Interest on loan to Publishing House	1,000
Total for China	$157,550

2. Japan:

For Japan, to be divided by the Board as follows:	
(1) East Japan Conference	$39,896
(2) West Japan Conference	22,604
	$62,500

3. Korea:

Korea Conference	38,465
Total for Eastern Asia	$258,515

DIVISION 2.—Southern Asia

1. India:

(1) North India Conference	$62,200
(2) Northwest India Conference	31,625
(3) South India Conference	23,775
(4) Central Provinces Mission Conference	17,131
(5) Bombay Conference	22,775
(6) Bengal Conference	17,025
(7) Burma Mission Conference	10,025
Total for India	$184,556

2. Malaysia:

(1) Malaysia Conference	$21,380
(2) Philippine Islands Conference	25,900
Total for Malaysia	$47,280
Total for Southern Asia	$231,836

DIVISION 3.—Africa

(1) Liberia Conference, of which at least $5,000 shall be used for work among native tribes and $630 shall be applied on debt	$15,376
(2) East Central Africa Mission Conference	16,065
(3) West Central Africa Mission Conference	14,201
Total for Africa	$45,642

DIVISION 4.—South America and Mexico

1. South America:

(1) Eastern South America Conference	$52,592
(2) Chile Conference: Chile, for the work	23,175
Bolivia, for the work	5,000
Total	$28,175
(3) North Andes Mission: Ecuador, for the work	$4,025
Peru, for the work	9,275
Panama, for the work	2,000
Panama, for the interest	500
	$15,800
Total	$96,567

2. Mexico Conference: For the work $57,675
For property 1,225
$58,900

Total for South America and Mexico $155,467

DIVISION 5.—Europe

1. North Germany Conference:

For the work	$17,000
For extension of the work in Hungary	1,580
	$18,580

2. South Germany Conference:

For the work	$19,721
For Martin Mission Institute	1,000
	$20,721

3. Switzerland Conference:

For the work	$7,500
For interest on Lausanne debt	35
	$7,535

4. Norway Conference:

For the work	$12,055
For Theological School	500
	$12,555

5. Sweden Conference:

For the work	$14,470
For Theological School at Upsala (at disposal of the resident bishop)	1,500
Interest	125
	$16,095

6. Denmark Mission Conference:
For the work $7,960

7. Finland and Saint Petersburg Mission Conference: For the work 9,348

8. Bulgaria Mission Conference: 9,500

9. Italy Conference 55,312

10. France Mission 5,840

Total for Europe $163,446

III. General Expenses

1. Expenses of Collection:

(1) Publication Fund	$37,000
(2) Young People's Work	9,000
(3) Salaries of Field Secretaries	19,750
Total	$65,750

2. Expenses of Administration:		
(1) Salaries of Office Secretaries	$13,500	
(2) Office and General Committee Expenses	17,000	
Total	$30,500	
3. Miscellaneous		
Miscellaneous, including interest on debt	$9,372	

RECAPITULATION

1. Appropriations to the Mission Fields:		
China	$157,550	
Japan	62,500	
Korea	38,465	
India	$184,556	
Malaysia	47,280	
Africa	45,642	
South America	96,567	
Mexico	58,900	
Europe	163,446	
		$854,996
2. General Expenses:		
Expenses of collection		65,750
" of administration		30,500
Miscellaneous		9,372
		$105,622
Grand total		$1,075,57

OFFICIAL BENEVOLENCES, 1908

1. Missions: Foreign: Church	$840,263		
Special gifts	196,472	$1,036,735	
Home and Church Extension: Church	$613,516		
Special gifts	40,284	653,800	
Sunday School (not divided)		476,142	
Woman's Foreign		588,300	
Woman's Home: Cash	$345,180		
Supplies	53,605	398,785	$3,153,762
2. Education, Freedmen's Aid and Sunday Schools: Church	$150,816		
Sunday Schools	16,851		
Children's Fund	96,536	$264,203	264,203
3. Local Educational Interests			252,217
4. American Bible Society			36,391
			$3,706,573

The total benevolent collections in 1908, $3,706,573, compare with $3,617,799 in 1907, the returns for 1908 of the Conferences held late in November and in December being those of 1907. Despite the financial depression the contributions for 1908 show an aggregate increase of $88,744.

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

"America for Christ"

An outline of the origin of the Church Extension movement in the Methodist Episcopal Church and of the results secured by the Board of Church Extension is as follows:

On January 3, 1865, its first Board of Managers was appointed by a committee of the General Conference. On May 13, 1865, it was incorporated in the State of Pennsylvania as "The Church Extension Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church." The chapter in the Discipline on Church Extension, practically as it is now framed, was adopted by the General Conference of 1872. On February 26, 1873, the charter of the Society was so amended by the Legislature of Pennsylvania that the name became "The Board of Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church." On May 25, 1906, the charter was again amended and the name became "The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension." The Commission appointed by the General Conference of 1904 completed its work and on January 1, 1907, the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension assumed the work indicated by its name and charter.

The Board and its Officers.—*President*, Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, D.D., LL.D.; *Vice-Presidents*, Rev. John F. Crouch, Samuel W. Thomas, D.D., Jabez G. Bickerton, D.D., John E. James, M.D., Charles W. Higgins; *Honorary Vice-President*, James Long; *Corresponding Secretary*, Robert Forbes, D.D.; *Assistant Corresponding Secretaries*, Ward Platt, D.D., Charles M. Boswell, D.D.; *Treasurer*, Samuel Shaw; *Recording Secretary*, Alpha G. Kynett, D.D.; *Assistant Corresponding Secretary*, Thomas C. Iliff, D.D.; *Field Agents*, George Elliott, D.D., Henry J. Coker, D.D., James H. Fitzwater, D.D., Isaac L. Thomas, D.D.

Ministers, Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, Bishop Luther B. Wilson, Robert Forbes, Ward Platt, Charles M. Boswell, Samuel W. Thomas, John F. Crouch, Samuel W. Gehrett, John W. Sayers, Frank B. Lynch, Jacob S. Hughes, Alpha G. Kynett, Jabez G. Bickerton, John G. Wilson, Amos Johnson, William H. Shaffer, Frank P. Parkin, Robert Watt, John D. Fox, Emory M. Stevens, James C. Nicholson, Richard H. Gilbert, Stephen M. Morgan, Whitford L. McDowell, J. Morgan Read, Charles L. Mead, Philip M. Watters, William Giesregen, Frank Mason North, Leonard C. Murdock, Charles A. Tindley, William Powick.

Laymen, James Long, John E. James, Thomas Bradley, Francis Magee, Samuel K. Felton, John F. Fox, Charles W. Higgins, Thomas A. Redding, William H. Senderling, Amos Wakelin, Jefferson Justice, Samuel Shaw, Frederic W. Tunnell, Israel G. Heilman, William H. Heisler, Charles H. Harding, John A. Wallace, Cyrus D. Foss, Jr., William S. Pilling, Edward Perry, William H. G. Gould, Stephen J. Seneca, Thomas L. Jones, Frank A. Dingee, Alfred M. Schoyer, Frank L. Brown, James E. Ingram, James L. Hays, C. Edgar Anderson, Fred E. Tasker, John P. Melick, John A. Affleck, James G. Shepherd, Walter O. Hoffecker, William Rawling.

The General Committee of Home Missions and Church Extension of 1908 was composed as follows:

Bishops Thomas Bowman, Henry W. Warren, Cyrus D. Foss, John M. Walden, Willard F. Mallalieu, John H. Vincent, Daniel A. Goodsell, Earl Cranston, David H. Moore, John W. Hamilton, Joseph F. Berry, Henry Spellmeyer, William F. McDowell, James W. Bashford, William Burt, Luther B. Wilson, Thomas B. Neely, William F. Anderson, John L. Nuelsen, William A. Quayle, Charles W. Smith, Wilson S. Lewis, Edwin H. Hughes, Robert McIntyre, Frank M. Bristol.

Officers of the Board—*President*, Rev. Bishop Luther B. Wilson, D.D.; *Vice-Presidents*, Rev. Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, D.D., and Revs. Jacob S. Hughes, D.D. of Philadelphia, W. L. McDowell of Baltimore, and T. A. Redding and William H. Heisler; *Corresponding Secretary*, Robert Forbes; *Assistant Corresponding Secretaries*, Ward Platt, Charles M. Boswell; *Treasurer*, Samuel Shaw; *Recording Secretary*, Alpha G. Kynett.

Representatives from the General Conference Districts—District No. I.—Rev. D. B. Holt, David Gordon. No. II.—Rev. J. W. Marshall, J. Edgar Leaycraft. No. III.—Rev. Ray Allen, T. D. Collins. No. IV.—Rev. B. C. Conner, J. H. Holt. No. V.—Rev. L. H. Stewart, O. F. Hypes. No. VI.—Rev. B. F. Witherspoon, W. T. Smith. No. VII.—Rev. G. G. Logan, R. S. Lovinggood. No. VIII.—Rev. J. S. Ford, J. L. Taylor. No. IX.—Rev. E. A. Schell, C. R. Benedict. No. X.—Rev. R. E. Buckley, Perley Lowe. No. XI.—Rev. L. J. Naftzger, W. E. Carpenter. No. XII.—Rev. J. G. Moore, F. J.

Clemans. No. XIII.—Rev. W. H. Rolfing, William Albrecht. No. XIV.—Rev. W. D. Phifer, A. J. Wallace. No. XV.—Rev. W. B. Hollingshead, L. V. Wells.

Representatives from the Board.—*Ministers*, Jabez G. Bickerton, Samuel W. Gehrett, John G. Wilson, James C. Nicholson, J. Morgan Read, John D. Fox, Emory M. Stevens; *Laymen*, William H. Heisler, Cyrus D. Foss, Jr., Alfred M. Schoyer, Fred E. Tasker, James E. Ingram, Walter O. Hoffecker, Thomas L. Jones, Thomas Bradley; *Reserves*, John W. Sayers, Philip M. Watters, Charles L. Mead, Amos Johnson, Whitford L. McDowell, Frank L. Brown, James L. Hays, C. Edgar Anderson, Thomas A. Redding, William Rawling.

Representatives from the National City Evangelization Union.—Frank Mason North, Horace Benton, James Rowe; *Reserves*, Frank P. Hays, J. B. Hobbs.

Its Purpose.—The purpose of the Board is strongly set forth in a recent appeal of the General Committee. "On the first day of January, 1907, the Methodist Episcopal Church, through the newly-organized Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, proclaimed the noblest war cry heard for America since Asbury waked the silences of the wilderness with the 'Witness of the Spirit' and 'Holiness to the Lord.' It sounded the splendid slogan, 'America for Christ!'" America has suddenly become the greatest of mission fields. Our country is now the center of the world's political, social, commercial and religious life. Every year is bringing us by immigration nearly a million and a half of people, not as formerly from the great races of northern and western Europe, easily assimilated to our national life, but new and strange peoples from the west and south of Europe and from Asia, alien to us in habits, tradition, religion and social ideas. In our streets meet not only the Teuton and the Celt, but the Latin and the Slav, with Finn, Magyar, Greek, Syrian, African and Mongolian. Our peril is only surpassed by the splendor of our opportunity. God has given the nations to America that America may give the gospel to the nations. Here is being repeated the confusion of Babel with its polyglot of tongues that by God's grace we may repeat the miracle of Pentecost.

We must save these incoming millions or they will destroy us. Into our hands God has placed this key for the evangelization of the whole world. Through the races gathered here lies the nearest road to the redemption of all kindreds and peoples. The supreme mission of the American Church is to save America, that through America we may save the world. "America for Christ" is the watchword of a holy war, the proclamation of a new crusade. Let American Methodists enlist and fall in line for cross and flag, for Christ and country, for God and native land. Serve, sacrifice and give until we have won "America for Christ."

Its Funds.—The Board, in compliance with its charter and by-laws and the law of the Church pertaining to its stewardship, concerning the various funds committed to its keeping and administration, reported to the General Committee of Church Extension the condition of the funds properly and legally classified, as follows:

General Fund.—The General Fund shall consist of all moneys or

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other property of the Board other than contributions to the Loan Fund, and amounts contributed subject to annuity.

Loan Fund.—The Loan Fund shall consist of all moneys and other property, not subject to annuity, specially donated or bequeathed to said Fund, and of the net residue at the termination of annuities payable on the same, of any sums contributed subject to annuity, and also of the net balance of interest accruing upon its capital, after charging thereto annually an equitable proportion of the current expenses of the administration of the business of the Board. All moneys or other property that have been or may be contributed to the Loan Fund, except as may be subject to annuity, shall be held as a sacred trust, to be used only for making loans to churches, under such regulations as the Board may adopt.

Annuity Fund.—The Annuity Fund shall consist of all moneys or other property contributed to and accepted by the Board, subject to the payment of annuity, and of all sums received for interest on the same. It shall be charged with all sums that shall be disbursed for the payment of annuities and with any loss or depreciation in value or on disposal of property in said Fund, and also with an equitable proportion to be determined annually of the current expenses of the administration of the business of the Board. The net residue of all moneys or other property hereafter contributed and accepted subject to annuity, but not otherwise directed by the contributor, shall at the termination and final adjustment of said annuity, be credited to and merged in the Loan Fund.

Memorial and Frontier Churches.—The Board has been enabled to aid in the building of about 850 Memorial and Frontier churches, with special gifts of $250 each, valued at least at $1,250 each, exclusive of the ground. We most earnestly ask the coöperation of the members of the General Committee and our people everywhere, so that during the coming fiscal year the total number of such churches may be increased to 1,000.

California Fund.—While much has been accomplished toward the rehabilitation of the churches that suffered during the earthquake and fire of April, 1906, much yet remains to be done. We call for $250,000 for California during the coming year. Let us not cease our efforts until a sufficient amount of money to rehabilitate our cause on the Pacific Coast has been realized. We are working in perfect harmony with the Conference Committees and commend the members of the Committees for their devotion, courage and loyalty to the Church and their fidelity to the Board.

The Board meets on the third Thursday in each month, in the city of Philadelphia. The General Committee meets in November in a place and at a time fixed by the corresponding secretary. The General Committee alone makes apportionments and appropriations for Home Missions. The Annual Conferences administer Home Missionary appropriations. The General Committee fixes the amount asked and authorized for Church Extension in each Conference. The Board alone makes the specific grants for donations within the limits fixed by the General Committee. The affairs of the Board will be administered with the strictest economy compatible with the success of the work. We append the treasurer's report as presented to the General Committee.

Treasurer's Report

SAMUEL SHAW, Treasurer

Receipts and Disbursements from Nov. 1, 1907, to Oct. 31, 1908

GENERAL FUND

Balance November 1, 1907			$176,030 02
Less Liabilities, Bills Payable		$75,000 00	
Return of Loan { Loan Fund		41,565 84	
Return of Loan { Annuity Fund		53,219 94	
			169,785 78
Net Balance November 1, 1907			$6,244 24

RECEIPTS

CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS:			
Church Extension, Regular	$198,450 71		
Church Extension, Special	6,819 07		
Home Missions, Regular	594,406 23		
Home Missions, Special	11,339 45		
		$811,015 46	
CALIFORNIA REHABILITATION:			
From Conferences	$5,583 35		
From Conferences, Special	2,912 76		
From Personal Gifts	454 56		
From Personal Gifts, Special	44 25		
		8,994 92	
BEQUESTS AND LEGACIES:			
Church Extension	$21,518 51		
Home Missions	14,414 24		
		35,932 75	
INTEREST:			
From Investments	$31,596 21		
From Loans Returned	4,034 48		
		35,630 69	
Architectural Plans		138 40	
Donations Returned		3,053 74	
Rindge Fund, Permanent		1,021 00	
PERSONAL GIFTS:			
Church Extension	$2,936 98		
Home Missions	3,321 02		
		6,258 00	
			902,044 96
Borrowed from Loan Fund		$41,539 35	
Borrowed from Annuity Fund		100,000 00	
			141,539 35
			$1,049,828 55

DISBURSEMENTS

DONATIONS TO CHURCHES:			
Regular		$108,954 02	
Special		24,823 75	
			$133,777 77
APPROPRIATIONS, HOME MISSIONS:			
Regular		$668,659 13	
Special		14,456 95	
Contingent		9,005 00	
			692,121 08
CALIFORNIA REHABILITATION:			
General		$39,640 27	
Special		2,812 86	
			42,453 13
INTEREST:			
On Annuities		$35,176 41	
On Investments		6,297 40	
			41,473 81
Young People's Movement			570 52
General Committee Expense			7,736 47
Postage			2,764 99

OFFICE EXPENSES:		
Furniture	$1,044 96	
Expressage	3,617 43	
Stationery	202 51	
Telegrams	159 99	
Telephone Rents	381 89	
Typewriting Supplies	164 74	
Petty Expenses	215 04	
Ice	35 80	
Cleaning	14 75	
		$5,837 11
SALARIES AND TRAVELING EXPENSES:		
Secretaries	$33,464 56	
Traveling Expenses	7,858 71	
Chief Clerk and Bookkeepers	7,498 00	
Stenographers	2,390 67	
Special Agents	140 43	
		51,352 37
GENERAL EXPENSES:		
Legal	$2,457 23	
Notary Fees	27 50	
Insurance	344 00	
Taxes	21 05	
Moving Expenses, Corresponding Secretary	296 92	
		3,146 70
Foreign Missions		5 75
General Printing		22,978 16
Christian Republic		43,278 08
PROPERTY ACCOUNT:		
1026 and 1028 Arch Street		2,332 61
		$1,049,828 55

ANNUITY FUND

Balance November 1, 1907	$69,044 84

RECEIPTS

Subject to Annuity	$20,350 00	
Special Investments	500 00	
		20,850 00
Transfer from General Fund		53,219 94
		$143,114 78

DISBURSEMENTS

Annuity Returned	$150 00	
Special Investments	26,500 00	
		$26,650 00
Balance Loaned to General Fund	$100,000 00	
Cash on Hand	16,464 78	
		116,464 78
		$143,114 78

LOAN FUND

Balance November 1, 1907	$93,051 84

RECEIPTS

Personal Gifts	$245 86	
Bequests	5,500 00	
Loans Returned	33,104 53	
Donation to Fund	18,432 07	
		$57,282 46
Transfer from General Fund		41,565 84
		$191,900 14

DISBURSEMENTS

Loans to Churches		$60,050 00
Balance Loaned to General Fund	$41,539 35	
Cash on Hand	90,310 79	
		131,850 14
		$191,900 14

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Balances		
General Fund Overdraft	$141,539 35	
Annuity Fund		$116,464 78
Loan Fund		131,850 14
Total Balance on Hand—Cash	106,775 57	
	$248,314 92	$248,314 92
Bank Balances		
Philadelphia National	$206,017 79	
Less Outstanding Drafts	109,849 96	
		$96,167 83
Manufacturers' Bank	$7,084 60	
Less Outstanding Drafts	66 25	
		7,018 35
Central National Bank		1,406 52
Chestnut Street Trust Company		2,182 64
Cash in Drawer		23
		$106,775 57

The accounts of Samuel Shaw, treasurer, have been audited to October 31, 1908, and the same found correct and vouchers sufficient. Cash on hand, $106,775.57.

JOHN F. CROUCH, *Chairman*,
F. A. DINGEE, *Secretary*.
For the Committee.

The above report can give but a small idea of the work accomplished.

A Few Facts.—During the year ending October 31, 1908, the Board has granted aid to 401 churches (52 of which are duplicates), by donations amounting to $133,777.77.

The Board has granted aid to 42 churches (28 of which are duplicates), by loans amounting to $60,050.

There are 161 applications for donations on file granted, amounting to $56,897.

There are 28 applications for loans on file granted, amounting to $23,275.

The Board has granted 124 applications from the contingent fund, amounting to $9,005.

The Board has granted applications in 15 emergency cases, amounting to $12,450.

At the close of the year we have on file applications for donations amounting to $67,180 and for loans, $207,700.

For further particulars, address the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, 1026 Arch Street, Philadelphia.

The General Committee has made a call of $1,500,000 for Home Missions and Church Extension, and $500,000 to be given for special undertakings. The Sunday preceding Thanksgiving Day has been designated as the desired time for the presentation of the cause of Home Missions and Church Extension.

The publications of the Board are a monthly paper called the Christian Republic; Methodism and the Republic, a book of 400 pages; and Methodist Forward Movement in the United States, 230 pages; Our Country, the World's Greatest Mission Field, a reprint of leading articles from the Christian Republic, and leaflets covering the various fields of work conducted under the directions of the organization. A report for 1907, containing valuable information regarding Home Mission fields, is now in process of preparation.

APPROPRIATIONS

CONFERENCES	Nov., 1908
WHITE WORK IN THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING CONFERENCES:	
Alabama	$2,600
Alaska Mission	6,000
Arizona Mission	6,217
Arkansas	4,200
Atlantic Mission Conf.	2,000
Austin	3,000
Baltimore (for deaf mutes)	940
Black Hills Mission	5,000
Blue Ridge	2,600
California	7,500
Central Ohio	100
Central Tennessee	3,360
Cincinnati	100
Colorado	9,300
Columbia River	9,900
Dakota	8,000
Des Moines	800
Detroit	2,600
East Maine	2,100
East Ohio	100
East Oklahoma	10,275
Erie	400
Georgia	1,932
Gulf	4,452
Holston	3,356
Idaho	5,390
Iowa	200
Kansas	800
Kentucky	3,780
Maine	1,591
Michigan	2,900
Minnesota	2,680
Missouri	3,000
Montana	5,500
Nebraska	1,200
Nevada Mission	4,000
New England	840
New England Southern	300
New Hampshire	1,800
New Jersey	400
New Mexico Eng. Miss.	8,000
New York	200
North Dakota	8,000
Northern Minnesota	6,550
Northern New York	840
North Montana	7,300
North Nebraska	3,500
Northwest Iowa	1,000
Northwest Kansas	5,400
Northwest Nebraska	2,500
Ohio	200
Oklahoma	13,400
Oregon	6,900
Puget Sound	8,000
Rock River (for deaf mutes)	1,470
Saint Johns River	2,680
Saint Louis	3,948
Southern California	6,525
Southern Illinois	200
South Kansas	1,300
Southwest Kansas	3,200
Troy	500
Upper Iowa	100
Utah	$11,750
Vermont	1,680
West Nebraska	5,200
West Virginia	6,000
West Wisconsin	4,560
Wilmington	250
Wisconsin	3,200
Wyoming Mission	6,300
Total	261,866
CITIES:	
Allegheny	720
Altoona	260
Akron	400
Baltimore	1,500
Boston	1,530
Buffalo	588
Butte	425
Chicago	500
Cincinnati	1,360
Cleveland	1,530
Columbus	500
Denver	1,300
Des Moines and Valley Junction	400
Detroit	425
Duluth	400
Elizabeth	425
Fall River	765
Honolulu	350
Jersey City	850
Kansas City	900
Lincoln	600
Lowell	720
Los Angeles	1,400
Milwaukee	425
Minneapolis	600
New Castle	200
New Haven	680
New York	2,700
New York: New York East	2,800
Newark	1,360
Oakland, Alameda, and Berkeley	1,800
Omaha	765
Paterson	850
Philadelphia	3,100
Pittsburg	1,250
Portland, Ore.	1,040
Providence	800
Pueblo	520
Richmond Borough	425
Rochester	600
Reading	300
Saint Louis	2,040
Saint Paul	800
San Francisco	4,700
San Francisco	980
Scranton	750
Seattle	1,040
Sioux City	850
Spokane	600
Syracuse	350
Tacoma	870
Toledo	300
Utica	$250
Washington: Baltimore Conference	425
Washington: Washington Conference	200
Wilkes-Barre	750
Youngstown	840
Total	53,808
COLORED WORK:	
Atlanta Conference	924
California	336
Central Alabama	2,860
Central Missouri	1,806
Colorado	798
Delaware	1,680
East Tennessee	1,932
Florida	1,008
Lexington	2,054
Lincoln	2,373
Little Rock	2,520
Louisiana	2,604
Mississippi	1,832
North Carolina	2,016
Puget Sound	210
Savannah	1,176
South Carolina	1,680
Southern California	932
South Florida Mission	433
Tennessee	1,932
Texas	2,940
Upper Mississippi	1,950
Washington	1,680
West Texas	3,000
Total	40,676
AMERICAN INDIANS:	
California	840
Central New York	546
Columbia River	833
Detroit	378
Genesee	462
Michigan	420
Nevada Mission	840
North Montana	672
Northern Minnesota	756
Northern New York	420
Oregon	779
Puget Sound	430
Wisconsin	420
Wisconsin	147
Total	7,943
BOHEMIAN AND HUNGARIAN:	
Baltimore	1,200
East Ohio	2,570
Nebraska	1,000
North Ohio	495
Northwest Iowa	85
Northwest Kansas	500
Pittsburg	2,250
Rock River	2,500

APPROPRIATIONS—*Continued*

CONFERENCES	Nov., 1908
Upper Iowa	$1,000
Total	11,600
CHINESE:	
San Francisco Mission	9,700
New York	1,425
Oregon	1,340
Total	12,465
FINNISH:	
California	500
Detroit	2,045
Northern Minnesota	840
Total	3,385
FOREIGN POPULATIONS:	
Central Penn. Conf.	2,400
Northwest Indiana	420
Philadelphia Conference (Anthracite Mission)	1,345
Rock River	500
Southern Illinois	420
New York: Imigration Station, New York	820
New England: Greeks	85
Total	7,790
FRENCH:	
New England Conf	1,680
New Hampshire Conf	1,515
Rock River Conf	1,200
Total	4,395
GERMAN:	
California German	3,360
Central German	3,610
Chicago German	3,190
East German	3,690
Northern German	2,580
Northwest German	2,940
Pacific German	4,080
Saint Louis German	2,820
Southern German	4,450
West German	$5,000
Total	35,720
NORWEGIAN AND DANISH:	
Maine Conference	420
New England	1,350
N. Y. E. Conf. (Bronx, $600)	2,150
Norw. and Danish Conf.	8,485
Philadelphia Conf	700
Utah Mission	2,100
Western Norw.-Danish	4,875
Western Norw.-Danish	420
Total	20,500
PORTUGUESE:	
New England	420
New England Southern	1,320
Total	1,740
SPANISH:	
New Mexico Span. Miss.	9,750
Boys' School at Albuquerque	800
Porto Rico Miss. Work	25,500
Porto Rico Mission (for real estate)	3,500
South'n California Conf.	1,175
Total	40,725
ITALIAN:	
California	840
Colorado	500
East Ohio	500
Erie	1,370
Genesee	620
Gulf	600
Indiana	700
Maine	600
New England	2,690
New York	4,620
New York East	600
Philadelphia	2,520
Rock River	1,700
Southern Illinois	$630
Total	18,490
JAPANESE AND KOREAN:	
Hawaiian Mission	10,200
New York Conference	800
Pacific Japanese Mission	9,700
Total	20,700
SWEDISH:	
Austin	1,175
Central Swedish	4,660
Eastern Swedish	9,830
Northern Swedish	4,870
Pacific Swedish Mission	4,075
Western Swedish	4,870
Total	29,480
WELSH:	
Philadelphia	340
RECAPITULATION:	
White Work in English-speaking Conferences	261,866
Colored Work	40,676
Welsh	340
Swedish	29,480
German	35,720
Norwegian and Danish	20,500
French	4,395
Spanish	40,725
Chinese	12,465
Japanese and Korean	20,700
Bohemian and Hungarian	11,600
Italian	18,490
Portuguese	1,740
Finnish	3,385
Foreign Populations in English-speaking Conferences	7,790
American Indians	7,943
Special City Appropriations	53,808
Grand total	571,623

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Organization of the Board

THE General Conference of 1904 consolidated the Board of Education, the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, the Sunday School Union and Tract Society, into one organization with three distinct departments of work. Each secretary was to remain in charge of his own department, retaining the same clerical force. The scheme did not prove satisfactory and the General Conference Committee on Education, Freedmen's Aid and Sunday Schools—to which was

committed by the General Conference all matters relating to education –presented a report recommending that the union be dissolved, that the work be committed to the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Freedmen's Aid Society and the Board of Sunday Schools.

To the Board of Education was committed the work done by that Board prior to the consolidation, as provided in its original charter, amended in 1885. In addition there was committed to this Board the maintenance and administration of schools for people of the white race in the South—hitherto cared for by the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society—and also, the work of assisting in the establishment and maintenance of institutions of Christian learning, and the promotion of the cause of Christian education in the Methodist Episcopal Church. This was not very different from the original purpose of the Society, as that contemplated the aid of institutions, the establishment of a general educational policy for the Church, some general oversight of all our institutions, and two funds: one for the aid of institutions, and the other a loan fund for the aid of needy students. The specific transfer of the schools for white people in the southern states to this Board was a distinct change of administration for them; otherwise, the powers of the Board are about as formerly.

The Board as constituted in 1908 is to consist of thirty-six members, one half of whom are to be laymen, three at least to be bishops, with the stipulation that there must be at least one member resident in each General Conference District. These members are to be elected by the General Conference, to hold office for twelve years, one third of the Board to be elected at each General Conference; and it was further provided that upon the first election one third of the members should be chosen to hold office for four years, one third for eight years, and one third for twelve years. The living members of the former Board were to become members of the newly constituted body. The members as elected by the General Conference of 1908 are as follows:

Bishops Goodsell, McDowell, and Anderson. *Ministers*, J. W. Lindsay, C. F. Rice, W. F. King, E. S. Tipple, G. H. Bridgman, J. H. Race, S. K. Arbuthnot, M. W. Dogan, G. H. Bradford, C. J. Little, W. C. Evans, E. L. Mills, A. C. McCrea, W. V. Kelley, J. C. Nicholson. *Laymen*, H. C. M. Ingraham, J. E. Leaycraft, R. F. Raymond, J. D. Slayback, A. W. Harris, J. G. Shepherd, D. S. Gray, J. A. Patten, J. P. Dolliver, J. R. Harker, Samuel Dickie, Gottlieb Golder, G. A. Warburton, H. N. Curtis, C. E. Patterson, J. M. Bulwinkle, J. W. Pearsall, W. H. Heisler.

The distribution by quadrennial periods is as follows:

Terms to Expire in 1912.—Bishop D. A. Goodsell, E. S. Tipple, R. F. Raymond, C. F. Rice, James C. Nicholson, J. G. Shepherd, S. K. Arbuthnot, J. R. Harker, C. J. Little, George A. Warburton, A. C. McCrea, J. M. Bulwinkle.

Terms to Expire in 1916.—Bishop W. F. McDowell, C. H. Bridgman, J. W. Lindsay, H. C. M. Ingraham, J. Edgar Leaycraft, J. P. Dolliver, M. W. Dogan, Samuel Dickie, W. C. Evans, H. N. Curtis, W. V. Kelley, W. H. Heisler.

Terms to Expire in 1920.—Bishop W. F. Anderson, W. F. King,

ILLINOIS WOMAN'S COLLEGE, JACKSONVILLE, ILLINOIS
REV. JOSEPH R. HARKER, PH.D., PRESIDENT

Founded in 1847 by Rev. Peter Cartwright, Rev. Peter Akers and others as the Illinois Conference Female Academy. Chartered as a College in 1851. In the last ten years its progress has been very rapid, increasing in valuation of college property, from $75,000 in 1898 to more than $250,000 in 1908. It is now proposed to secure another $250,000 for endowment and equipment.

A. W. Harris, J. D. Slayback, J. A. Patten, D. S. Gray, G. H. Bradford, Gottlieb Golder, E. L. Mills, C. E. Patterson, J. H. Race, J. W. Pearsall.

The officers of the Board are: *President*, Bishop Daniel A. Goodsell, New York city; *Corresponding Secretary*, Rev. Thomas Nicholson, LL.D., 150 Fifth Avenue, New York city; *Recording Secretary*, Rev. Ezra Squier Tipple, D.D., Madison, New Jersey; *Treasurer*, J. Edgar Leaycraft, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York city.

Student Aid in the Methodist Episcopal Church.—The General Conference of 1864, in view of the approach of the centennial of American Methodism in 1866, appointed a committee—consisting of the bishops, twelve ministers, and twelve laymen—to prepare for the celebration of that event and to provide for the disposition of the funds that should be raised in connection therewith. This committee recommended the organization of the Board of Education, and in pursuance thereof the Board was instituted by the General Conference of 1868. A society was incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, April 14, 1869.

The object of the Board was "the promotion of the educational work of the Church." The two specific lines of work suggested were: the aid of educational institutions, for which a general educational fund was to be provided; and the aid of worthy young people who were seeking an education, the purpose being "the securing of a well-equipped force of men and women for the ministerial, missionary, evangelistic, and educational work of the Church." For the purposes of this student aid a collection was to be taken in all the Sunday schools, the proceeds to be known as the "Sunday School Children's Fund." The celebration of 1866 yielded $9,155.32 for the General Educational Fund and $56,674.40 for the Sunday School Children's Fund. Later a provision was adopted that no aid should be made to students until the fund had reached $100,000 and that then only the interest on the investment should be used. This restriction continued until the fund had reached nearly $400,000. Since then, the actual money received from the Children's Day collections as well as the interest on the previously invested funds have been used.

Method of Helping.—The Board proceeds on the assumption that the best kind of help is encouragement to self-help, and that it has a more wholesome effect upon the young people to grant them a loan than to make a gift. The effort is simply to supplement their own resources. No gifts are therefore made. The maximum amount which can be loaned to a student of preparatory grade is $50 per year; to a student in college or an advanced seminary, or a post-graduate school, $100 per year, and a total amount loaned to any one student cannot exceed $500. It is required of beneficiaries that they shall pay back at least $5 per year from the date of their final graduation. If the entire amount borrowed is paid within five years the interest is remitted. Loans are made only to young people who are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and, in general, only to students in Methodist institutions. A few rare exceptions occur in the case of professional or post-graduate students who have formerly been students in Methodist institutions but are now pursuing advanced courses in the largest universities. In such cases the young people are not held strictly to the Methodist universities. The General Confer

ence of 1908 empowered the Board to make small loans to young women preparing for work as deaconesses, and further provided that a loan might be canceled, in whole or in part, for an individual who had done five years or more of actual successful and approved work as a deaconess or a missionary in the Methodist Episcopal Church. The cancellation is optional with the Board and is confined to especially worthy cases. It is not intended to be a transformation of the loan fund into a gift fund for deaconesses or missionaries.

Results Achieved.—The receipts of the Society from the beginning have been about $1,671,000. Of this amount some has been bestowed upon beneficiaries through cancellations, and some has been lost through the death or total disability of beneficiaries, and some has been recently transferred by the accountants of the Board to a suspense account. This suspense account represents notes which do not seem to be collectible for various reasons. The net fund considered available is $1,560,948.10. The amount received from the Children's Day collections for the year ending November 30, 1908, was $89,342.43, and the amount received from returned loans during the same period was $40,998.70.

Since its organization, the Board has aided 16,609. During the last school year 2,082 were assisted, of whom 1,150 had been formerly aided. The classification of the beneficiaries for the last year is: Men, 1,637; women, 445. From the New England States, 220; Middle States, 529; Western States, 987; Southern States, 283; Foreign Countries, 63. Of the total number aided, 913 are in the ministry; 156 are missionaries; 514 are teaching; 499 are in other callings. Of the 2,082 students, 24 nationalities were aided during the past year. The average annual loan is $57.92.

Importance of the Work.—It will be seen that this work is not simply related in a general way to the progress of the Church, but more specifically to the fundamental question of the supply of workers. As the fund grows, multitudes of young people will be helped to a life of usefulness in the Church by the gifts of the people on Children's Day. The Board prepares each year interesting Children's Day programs. These are used by hundreds of young people in the Sunday schools, and it is hoped that those who assist in carrying out these programs may be interested in the work of education, encouraged to take an academic or a college course, and thus to fit themselves for the largest service. This makes it important that Methodist churches should use the Children's Day programs prepared by the Board of Education.

Generally speaking, there has been great appreciation of the assistance of the borrowers. One writes: "I owe a great debt of gratitude to the Methodist Episcopal Church. It took me out of a shoe factory and landed me in a state university as an instructor." A professor in one of the largest Methodist universities writes: "I could never have gotten where I am today without the help this Society gave me, so I want to pay back the loan and to be a contributor to the cause all my life." A recently elected bishop of the Church says: "I was the son of a struggling Methodist preacher. I do not see how I could have finished my college course without the help the Society gave me. As a pastor, before I became bishop, I always gave a prominent place to the Children's Day collection and always pushed it well up toward

$100 on my charges. It is one of the most useful of our benevolences." One of the corresponding secretaries of the Church writes: "Just at the opening of my senior year my mother died suddenly. Plans were broken up, hopes were dissipated, and it is doubtful if I could or would ever have completed my college and seminary course had it not been for the timely aid given from the Students' Loan Fund. I am a great debtor to it."

OTHER FUNDS

Bequests and Legacies.—The Board of Education has received many important bequests. One of its most eminent corresponding secretaries left substantially all his estate—largely derived from his insurance—to the Board. One of the best known of the bishops who died during the last quadrennium, did the same. Several large annuity funds have been received. The largest single gift has been the Goldthorpe Fund which amounted to $35,000. The Board now expects to appeal for a general fund for the aid of institutions. It invites the sympathetic consideration of men of means, of those who are making bequests through their wills, who desire to give money on the annuity plan, and of others who can be interested either in the fund for the aid of our institutions proper or for the aid of needy students. It is hoped to raise at least $250,000 during the quadrennium for a general fund to be securely invested, the income only to be used for the aid of institutions. Persons who are willing to consider these interests or desire to give money on the annuity plan are invited to communicate with the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. Thomas Nicholson, LL.D., 150 Fifth Avenue, New York city.

Publications.—The Board publishes The Christian Student, a quarterly containing full information concerning all of the educational institutions of the Church at home and abroad, concerning the work of the Board of Education, and generally, concerning all of the educational interests of the Church. Each quarter it contains inspiring and valuable articles on various phases of educational work. The subscription price is 25 cents a year, but it is given free to any person who subscribes $1.00 or over to the Children's Day Fund, and will be sent free, perpetually, to any person making a considerable donation to the general educational fund.

In addition to this magazine, a valuable series of little booklets—entitled The American Student Series—is published. Among the titles are: "The Necessity for the Christian College," "Some Rewards of Life in the Ministry," "The Appeal of the Christian College to Men of Wealth," "How a Student May Begin," "The New Relations of the College Student," etc.

There is also a series of useful educational tracts.

Day of Prayer for Colleges.—The Board of Education designates the last Thursday in January of each year as a Day of Prayer for Colleges. It issues appropriate literature, promotes the observance of this day by special religious or evangelistic exercises, and coöperates with the various colleges in the selection of speakers who have a special adaptability to such work. Hundreds of young people date their entrance upon the religious life or their decision for the ministry, the mission field, or for various forms of Christian work, to the inspiration of the services of this particular week. An examination of the alumni lists of the colleges justifies the statement of one of the bishops, that "These Christian colleges are the Port Arthurs of our Christianity."

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE statistics given in the following pages devoted to the Board of Education are brought down to the close of the school year, June 30, 1908, and are taken from the last annual statistical report issued by the Board in November, 1908. If later statistical information in this particular is desired application must be made for it to the Board. The list of presidents and chancellors is revised up to the time of going to press.

Official List of Colleges and Universities*

NAME OF INSTITUTION	LOCATION	PRESENT CHIEF OFFICER	Value of Grounds and Buildings	Total Endowment	Productive Endowment	Amount of Debts	No. Professors and Teachers	Students Last Year
Albion College[1]	Albion, Mich	Hon. Samuel Dickie, LL.D., President	$250,000	$280,000	$280,000	$.....	26	460
Allegheny College	Meadville, Pa	Rev. Wm. H. Crawford, D.D., LL.D., President	564,000	560,000	535,000	.....	24	401
Baker University[2]	Baldwin, Kan	Rev. L. H. Murlin, S.T.D., LL.D., President	227,250	112,500	76,500	25,000	33	780
Baldwin University[3]	Berea, O	Rev. Robt. L. Waggoner, B.D., A.M., President	125,000	200,000	105,000	12,000	31	370
Beaver College	Beaver, Pa	Rev. Geo. D. Crissman, A.M., Ph.D., President	120,000	54,000	50,000	.....	18	216
Boston University[4]	Boston, Mass	Rev. Wm. E. Huntington, D.D., LL.D., President	840,000	1,947,408	644,608	.....	150	1,459
Central Wesleyan College[5]	Warrenton, Mo	Rev. Geo. B. Addicks, A.M., D.D., President	140,000	100,000	100,000	.....	18	303
Charles City College[6]	Charles City, Ia	Rev. Frank E. Hirsch, A.M., D.D., President	65,000	55,000	55,000	14,000	18	245
Claflin University	Orangeburg, S. C	Rev. L. M. Dunton, D.D., President	300,000	15,000	5,000	8,000	41	538
Clark University	Atlanta, Ga	Wm. H. Crogman, A.M., Litt.D., President	500,000	11,000	11,000	.....	24	576
Cornell College[7]	Mount Vernon, Ia	J. E. Harlan, LL.D., President	328,552	642,226	323,774	.....	39	755
Dakota Wesleyan University	Mitchell, S. D	Rev. S. F. Kerfoot, A.B., D.D., President	231,000	125 000	100,000	16,500	26	469
De Pauw University[8]	Greencastle, Ind	Rev. Francis J. McConnell, D.D., Ph.D., President	435,000	532,042	499,117	7,000	43	999
Dickinson College[9]	Carlisle, Pa	Rev. Geo. Edward Reed, S.T.D., LL.D., President	540,000	374,058	374,058	.....	34	555
Epworth University[10]†	Oklahoma City, Okla	Rev. Geo. H. Bradford, D.D., S.T.B., Chancellor	500,000	40,000	40,000	20,000	50	556
Fort Worth University[11]	Fort Worth, Tex	Rev. Wm. Fielder, D.D., President	150,000	.....	.....	5,500	38	749
German College[12]	Mount Pleasant, Ia	Rev. H. G. Leist, D.D., President	25,000	31,826	31,826	.....	24	174
German Wallace College[13]	Berea, O	Rev. E. S. Havighorst, A.M., D.D., President	149,200	174,990	149,704	1,800	20	291
Hedding College[14]	Abingdon, Ill	Rev. Wm. P. MacVey, A.B., D.D., President	75,000	60,000	45,000	.....	22	208
Illinois Wesleyan University[15]	Bloomington, Ill	Rev. Theodore Kemp, A.B., D.D., President	140,000	131,783	110,000	50,000	36	1,097
Iowa Wesleyan University[16]	Mount Pleasant, Ia	Rev. E. A. Schell, D.D., President	160,000	61,000	61,000	15,000	30	375
Kansas Wesleyan University	Salina, Kan	Rev. R. P. Smith, A.B., D.D., President	76,000	40,000	25,000	.....	40	1,289
Lawrence University[17]	Appleton, Wis	Rev. Samuel Plantz, D.D., LL.D., President	375,000	637,850	596,450	.....	30	585
McKendree College	Lebanon, Ill	Rev. J. F. Harmon, D.D., President	70,000	145,180	133,180	.....	14	226
Missouri Wesleyan College[18]	Cameron, Mo	Rev. W. D. Agnew, S.T.B., D.D., President	100,000	20,000	15,000	35,000	16	338

Moores Hill College	Moores Hill, Ind	Rev. W. S. Bovard, D.D., President	130,000	31,000	26,000	4,700	15	276
Morgan College	Baltimore, Md	Rev. J. O. Spencer, A.M., Ph.D., President	100,000	4,000	4,000	10,500	24	305
Morningside College	Sioux City, Ia	Bishop W. S. Lewis, D.D., LL.D., President	250,000	300,000	225,000	65,000	30	494
Mount Union College	Alliance, O	Rev. Wm. H. McMaster, D.D., President	221,000	140,328	128,610	12,072	30	554
Nebraska Wesleyan University[19]	University Place, Neb	Rev. W. J. Davidson, D.D., Chancellor	350,000	100,000	100,000	.....	45	920
New Orleans University[20]	New Orleans, La	Rev. John Wier, A.M., D.D., President	250,000	79,800	79,800	5,000	48	921
Northwestern University[21]	Evanston and Chicago, Ill.	A. W. Harris, Sc.D., LL.D., President	3,238,849	5,240,609	3,993,380	1,378,874	412	3,997
Ohio Wesleyan University[22]	Delaware, O	Rev. Herbert Welch, D.D., LL.D., President	847,000	830,000	623,000	39,000	95	1,286
Philander Smith College[23]	Little Rock, Ark	Rev. Jas. M. Cox, D.D., President	57,000	.....	.....	.....	19	678
Rust University	Holly Springs, Miss	Rev. Wm. W. Foster, Jr., D.D., President	150,000	.....	.....	.....	15	458
Scio College	Scio, O	Rev. R. Emory Beetham, A.M., D.D., President	50,000	4,000	2,500	.....	16	252
Simpson College	Indianola, Ia	C. E. Shelton, A.M., LL.D., President	123,000	144,024	.....	41,236	32	915
Southwestern College[24]	Winfield, Kan	Rev. Frank E. Mossman, A.M., D.D., President	75,000	100,000	70,000	18,000	31	505
Syracuse University[25]	Syracuse, N. Y	Rev. Jas. R. Day, S.T.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Chancellor	2,448,107	2,108,373	1,956,364	421,000	221	3,110
The Hamline University	Saint Paul, Minn	Rev. Geo. H. Bridgman, D.D., LL.D., President	206,000	376,088	344,101	7,000	18	433
Union College	Barbourville, Ky	Rev. J. W. Easley, A.M., B.D., President	108,000	325,000	325,000	40,000	10	156
University of Chattanooga[26]	Chattan'ga & Athens, Tenn.	Rev. John H. Race, A.M., D.D., President	450,000	247,000	221,000	10,000	58	632
University of Denver[27]	Denver, Colo	Rev. H. A. Buchtel, D.D., LL.D., Chancellor	260,000	376,000	178,850	.....	156	1,324
University of the Pacific[28]	San Jose, Cal	Rev. Wm. W. Guth, Ph.D., President	175,000	115,000	95,500	.....	20	303
University of Puget Sound[29]	Tacoma, Wash	L. L. Benbow, President	150,000	.....	.....	18,000	19	385
University of Southern California[30]	Los Angeles, Cal	Rev. Geo. F. Bovard, A.M., D.D., President	200,000	480,000	390,000	75,000	189	1,337
Upper Iowa University[31]	Fayette, Ia	Rev. Wm. A. Shanklin, D.D., LL.D., President	200,000	255,000	225,000	22,000	19	504
Walden University[32]	Nashville, Tenn	Rev. John A. Kumler, LL.B., D.D., President	100,000	35,000	35,000	.....	70	925
Wesley College	Grand Forks, N. D	Rev. E. P. Robertson, A.M., D.D., President	45,000	90,000	90,000	.....	7	175
Wesleyan University	Middletown, Conn	Rev. B. P. Raymond, D.D., LL.D., President	1,083,004	1,506,919	1,501,919	39,000	35	316
West Virginia Wesleyan College[33]	Buckhannon, W. Va	Rev. Carl Gregg Doney, A.M., Ph.D., President	183,500	71,000	63,000	70,000	23	421
Wiley University[34]	Marshall, Tex	Rev. M. W. Dogan, A.M., Ph.D., President	100,000	.....	.....	2,500	34	654
Willamette University[35]	Salem, Ore	Rev. Fletcher Homan, A.M., D.D., President	280,000	157,629	37,004	8,500	45	420
Woman's College of Baltimore	Baltimore, Md	Rev. Eugene A. Noble, S.T.D., L.H.D., President	701,000	719,135	.....	.....	26	341

1. Has a school of fine arts, 19 students. **2.** Has a school of fine arts, 22 students. **3.** Has a school of law, 148 students. **4.** Has a theological dept., 197 students; a law dept., 319 students; a medical dept., 102 students; agricultural dept., 252 students. **5.** Has a school of theology, 42 students; school of fine arts, 12 students; other professional schools, 70 students. **6.** Has a school of fine arts, 20 students; other professional schools, 23 students. **7.** Has a school of fine arts, 108 students. **8.** Has a school of fine arts, 50 students. **9.** Has a school of law, 78 students. **10.** Has a school of law, 18 students; a school of medicine, 20 students. **11.** Has a school of medicine, 106 students; a school of fine arts, 17 students; other professional schools, 37 students. **12.** Has a school of theology, 22 students. **13.** Has a school of theology, 42 students. **14.** Has a school of oratory, 33 students. **15.** Has a school of law, 86 students; a school of fine arts, 24 students. **16.** Has a school of fine arts, 15 students. **17.** Has a school of fine arts, 30 students; a school of expression, 44 students. **18.** Has a school of fine arts, 19 students; a school of oratory, 14 students. **19.** Has a school of medicine, 34 students; a school of fine arts, 39 students. **20.** Has a school of theology, 6 students; a school of medicine, 36 students; a school of pharmacy, 24 students; other professional schools, 34 students. **21.** Has a school of theology, 210 students; a school of law, 274 students; a school of medicine, 684 students; a school of dentistry, 357 students; a school of pharmacy, 160 students. **22.** Has a school of medicine, 90 students; a school of fine arts, 11 students; a school of oratory, 145 students. **23.** Has a school of theology, 17 students. **24.** Has a school of fine arts, 75 students. **25.** Has a school of law, 176 students; a school of medicine, 150 students; a school of fine arts, 842 students; other professional schools, 567 students. **26.** Has a school of theology, 20 students; a school of law, 104 students; a school of medicine, 104 students. **27.** Has a school of law, 96 students; a school of medicine, 82 students; a school of dentistry, 54 students. **28.** Has a school of fine arts, 39 students; other professional schools, 36 students. **29.** Has a school of fine arts, 50 students; other professional schools, 34 students. **30.** Has a school of theology, 20 students; a school of law, 166 students; a school of medicine, 105 students; a school of dentistry, 73 students; a school of fine arts, 60 students; other professional schools, 129 students. **31.** Has a school of fine arts, 26 students; a school of oratory, 144 students. **32.** Has a school of theology, 25 students; a school of law 3 students; a school of medicine, 285 students; a school of dentistry, 116 students; a school of pharmacy, 66 students; other professional schools, 13 students. **33.** Has a school of fine arts, 14 students. **34.** Has a school of theology, 22 students; a school of law, 3 students. **35.** Has a school of theology, 36 students; a school of law, 20 students; a school of medicine, 35 students; a school of fine arts, 20 students; a school of oratory, 85 students. *These statistics are for the scholastic year ending June, 1908. All duplicates are subtracted in the grand total of students. † Half the equity in this institution belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

NAME OF INSTITUTION	LOCATION	PRESENT CHIEF OFFICER	Value of Grounds and Buildings	Total Endowment	Productive Endowment	Amount of Debts	No. Professors and Teachers	Students Last Year
Aaron Seminary	Montezuma, N. C.	Rev. G. F. Keen, Principal	$5,500	$.....	$.....	$120	2	124
A. B. Wright Institute	Burrville, Tenn.	Rev. M. H. Monroe, S.T.B., Principal	6,000	.....	.....	40	4	156
Albuquerque College	Albuquerque, N. Mex.	Rev. Thos. Harwood, President	45,000	36,000	28,000	1,500	3	52
Arkansas Conference College	Siloam Springs, Ark.	Rev. Thos. Mason, A.M., D.D., President	30,000	14,409	12,409	7,202	8	140
Bennett Academy	Clarkson, Miss.	C. H. Westenberger, Principal	18,000	.....	.....	.....	9	250
Bennett College	Greensboro, N. C.	Rev. S. A. Peeler, A.M., D.D., President	50,000	.....	.....	1,240	7	270
Blinn Memorial College	Brenham, Tex.	Rev. John Pluenneke, B.S., D.D., President	65,000	47,000	47,000	7,000	9	239
Carleton College	Farmington, Mo.	Rev. G. B. Thomas, B.S., A.B., President	50,000	.....	.....	.....	7	145
Cazenovia Seminary	Cazenovia, N. Y.	Rev. Charles Drake Skinner, A.B., President	76,800	49,508	49,508	.....	15	185
Centenary Collegiate Institute	Hackettstown, N. J.	Rev. J. M. Meeker, Ph.D., D.D., President	375,000	.....	.....	.....	17	207
Central Alabama College	Mason City, Ala.	Rev. A. P. Camphor, D.D., President	70,000	.....	.....	400	7	194
Cookman Institute	Jacksonville, Fla.	Rev. Jas. T. Docking, Ph.D., President	40,000	.....	.....	.....	10	487
East Greenwich Academy*	East Greenwich, R. I.	Rev. C. A. Stenhouse, D.D., Principal	70,847	7,842	.....	15,000	15	158
East Maine Conference Seminary	Bucksport, Me.	Frederick E. Bragdon, A.B., A.M., President	26,000	30,000	18,000	7,000	8	110
Epworth Seminary	Epworth, Ia.	Rev. Perkin S. Slocum, A.M., D.D., Principal	50,000	25,000	10,000	4,000	12	160
Evanston Acad. of Northwestern Univ.	Evanston, Ill.	Rev. Arthur H. Wilde, S.T.B., Ph.D., Principal	75,000	[3]	[3]	[3]	18	564
Genesee Wesleyan Seminary	Lima, N. Y.	Rev. L. F. Congdon, Ph.D., D.D., Principal	103,000	93,000	65,000	3,000	18	240
George R. Smith College	Sedalia, Mo.	Rev. I. L. Lowe, D.D., Ph.D., President	70,000	.....	.....	.....	8	115
Gilbert Academy and Indus'l College	Baldwin, La.	J. M. Matthews, A.B., Principal	96,280	45,500	45,500	358	10	212
Grand Prairie Seminary	Onarga, Ill.	Rev. Henry Hoag Frost, A.B., President	50,000	152,000	77,000	8,000	15	233
John H. Snead Seminary	Boaz, Ala.	Rev. John L. Brasher, President	15,000	.....	.....	1,500	9	372
McLemoresville Collegiate Institute	McLemoresville, Tenn.	J. W. Williams, A.B., Ph.B., Principal	5,000	.....	.....	.....	7	183
Maine Wes. Sem. and Woman's College	Kents Hill, Me.	Rev. Wilbur Fisk Berry, D.D., President	300,000	180,000	180,000	20,500	14	222
Mallalieu Seminary	Kinsey, Ala.	Rev. Geo. M. Hamlen, D.D., President	12,000	8,000	8,000	500	4	60
Marionville Collegiate Institute	Marionville, Mo.	Rev. Lewis Grant Reser, A.M., D.D., President	60,000	2,000	2,000	8,500	9	254
Montana Wesleyan University	Helena, Mont.	Rev. Chas. W. Tenney, A.M., President	40,000	.....	.....	.....	12	148
Montpelier Seminary	Montpelier, Vt.	Rev. E. A. Bishop, A.M., D.D., Principal	104,437	36,096	36,096	60,044	12	222
Morristown Normal and Indus'l College	Morristown, Tenn.	Rev. Judson S. Hill, A.M., D.D., President	100,000	.....	.....	.....	17	342
Mount Zion Seminary	Mount Zion, Ga.	Hubert Phillips, A.B., Principal	5,000	3,500	.....	.....	3	170
Murphy College	Sevierville, Tenn.	E. F. Goddard, A.M., President	27,000	.....	.....	300	7	406
Oakland Seminary†	Baileyton, Tenn.	J. C. Self, Principal	10,000	.....	.....	.....	3	181
Parrottsville Seminary	Parrottsville, Tenn.	H. R. Easterly, A.M., Principal	1,000	.....	.....	.....	3	150
Pennington Seminary[1]	Pennington, N. J.	Rev. Frank Moore, A.M., D.D., Principal	265,000	10,000	10,000	50,000	27	254
Princess Anne Academy[4]	Princess Anne, Md.	Frank Trigg, A.M., President	[4]	[4]	[4]	[4]	10	134

Saint Paul's College[2]	Saint Paul Park, Minn.	Rev. H. J. Hoffert, M.S., Ph.B., President	50,000	10,000	.....	2,400	7	85
Samuel Huston College	Austin, Tex	Rev. R. S. Lovinggood, A.M., President	65,000	.....	.....	722	17	375
Summertown Seminary	Summertown, Tenn	Rev. U. G. Paschal, B.S., President	3,000	.....	.....	30	2	34
The Graham Collegiate Institute	Marshallberg, N. C	Rev. W. Q. A. Graham, A.B., B.D., President	8,000	.....	.....	600	4	44
Tilton Seminary	Tilton, N. H	George L. Plimpton, A.M., Principal	140,000	135,000	135,000	18,000	16	285
Troy Conference Academy	Poultney, Vt	Rev. Chas. H. Dunton, D.D., Principal	135,000	28,000	26,000	.....	13	223
Virginia Collegiate and Industrial Inst[1]	Lynchburg, Va	Rev. Geo. E. Stephens, Principal	60,000	.....	.....	339	5	77
Wesleyan Academy	Wilbraham, Mass	Rev. Chas. M. Melden, D.D., Ph.D., Principal	186,000	16,000	16,000	32,000	12	171
Wesleyan Academy	Chuckey, Tenn	Samuel H. Thompson, B.S., B.Ped., Principal	15,000	.....	.....	.....	7	178
Williamsport Dickinson Seminary	Williamsport, Pa	Rev. Wm. Perry Eveland, D.D., Ph.D., President	200,000	47,987	27,800	3,900	20	415
Wilmington Conference Academy	Dover, Del	Rev. E. L. Cross, A.M., D.Ped., Principal	80,000	.....	.....	.....	10	152
Wyoming Seminary†	Kingston, Pa	Rev. L. L. Sprague, D.D., President	300,000	70,000	70,000	.....	23	552

* We have been unable to secure reports from this school for the last two years, hence are publishing the figures for the school year ending in June, 1906. † No report; same as last year. [1] Belongs to Morgan College. [2] See also theological institutions. [3] See Northwestern University. [4] See Morgan College.

Institutions Exclusively for Women

Woman's College of Baltimore	Baltimore, Md	Rev. Eugene A. Noble, S.T.D., L.H.D., President	$701,000	$719,135	$.....	$.....	26	341
Drew Seminary for Young Women	Carmel, N. Y	Miss Martha L. Hanaburgh, President	53,000	.....	.....	10,000	14	80
Fort Edward Collegiate Institute	Fort Edward, N. Y	Rev. Jos. E. King, D.D., Ph.D., President	70,000	30,000	30,000	20,000	11	60
Girls' Latin School of Baltimore	Baltimore, Md	Leonard A. Blue, Ph.D., Principal	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	13	156
Illinois Woman's College	Jacksonville, Ill	Rev. Jos. R. Harker, A.M., Ph.D., President	250,000	50,000	50,000	.....	30	390
Jennings Seminary	Aurora, Ill	Miss Bertha Annette Barber, B.S., Principal	60,000	.....	.....	.....	11	128
Laselle Seminary for Young Women	Auburndale, Mass	Guy M. Winslow, Ph.D., Principal	200,000	1,000	1,000	.....	29	161
Philadelphia Collegiate Institute	Philadelphia, Pa	Miss Susan C. Lodge, M.S., Principal	.....	8,000	8,000	.....	9	57

[1] See the Woman's College of Baltimore.

Unclassified

Ohio Northern University	Ada, O	Rev. A. Edwin Smith, D.D., Ph.D., President	$125,000	$ 5,000	$ 5,000	$16,000	31	1,643
Chicago Training School	Chicago, Ill	J. Shelley Meyer, President	261,000	23,000	23,000	8,000	12	200

Missionary Institutes and Bible Training Schools

Anglo-Japanese Training School*	San Francisco, Cal	Rev. Milton S. Vail, A.B., Principal	$	$	$.....	$.....	8	330
Folts Mission Institute	Herkimer, N. Y		93,500	106,000	32,000	.....	12	41
Lucy Webb Hayes Nat'l Tr. School*	Washington, D. C	Rev. W. H. Wilder, D.D., President	225,000	.....	.....	.....	27	83
The Cincinnati Missionary Train'g Sch	Cincinnati, O	Miss Harriet L. Kemper, President	150,000	.....	.....	.....	14	33

* No report; same as last year.

Theological Institutions

NAME OF INSTITUTION	LOCATION	PRESENT CHIEF OFFICER	Value of Grounds and Buildings	Total Endowment	Productive Endowment	Amount of Debts	No. Professors and Teachers	Students Last Year
Bareilly Theological Seminary*[1]	Bareilly, India	Rev. W. A. Mansell, D.D., Principal	$.....	$58,900	$54,400	$.....	14	127
Boston University School of Theology[2]	Boston, Mass.	Rev. W. E. Huntington, D.D., LL.D., President	150,000	[6]	[6]	[6]	8	197
Central Wesleyan Theological Seminary[2]	Warrenton, Mo.	Rev. G. B. Addicks, A.M., D.D., President	140,000	100,000	100,000	.....	4	42
Drew Theological Seminary	Madison, N. J.	Rev. H. A. Buttz, D.D., LL.D., President	560,000	550,000	550,000	.....	8	175
Florence B. Nicholson School of Theol.[1]	Baroda, India	Rev. A. A. Parker, A.B., Principal	15,000	.....	.....	1,200	12	84
Fowler School of Theology*[1-3]	Nanking, China	Rev. H. F. Rowe, A.B., B.D., Dean	7,000	.....	.....	.....	3	8
Gammon Theological Seminary	South Atlanta, Ga.	Rev. J. W. E. Bowen, Ph.D., D.D., President	108,000	522,959	.....	.....	5	106
Garrett Biblical Institute	Evanston, Ill.	Rev. C. J. Little, D.D., President	500,000	[7] 1,502,966	1,502,966	.....	8	199
German College Theological School[2]	Mount Pleasant, Ia.	Rev. Henry G. Leist, President	25,000	31,826	31,826	.....	4	22
Martin Mission Institute*[1]	Frankfort-on-Main, Germ'y	Rev. P. G. Junker, Director	50,000	8,250	8,000	.....	5	33
Methodist Theological School[1]	Copenhagen, Denmark	Rev. Chr. Jensen, President	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	3
Methodist Theological Seminary[1]	Helsingfors, Finland	Rev. J. W. Haggman, Principal	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	9
Mexican Methodist Institute of Theol.[1]	Pueblo, Mexico	Rev. P. F. Valderrama, A.M., B.D., President	25,000	.....	.....	.....	1	3
Nast Theological Seminary[2-4]	Berea, O.	Rev. E. S. Havighorst, A.M., D.D., President	149,200	174,990	149,704	1,800	5	42
Norway Theological School[1]	Christiania, Norway	Rev. Ole Olsen, President	.....	8,470	8,070	.....	3	5
Norwegian-Danish Theological Seminary	Evanston, Ill.	Rev. N. E. Simonsen, D.D., President	14,000	12,000	12,000	.....	2	18
Philander Smith Biblical Institute[1-5]	Aoyama, Tokyo, Japan	Rev. S. Ogata, D.D., President	500,000	.....	.....	11,500	9	32
Reeder Theological Seminary*[1]	Rome, Italy	Rev. N. Walling Clark, D.D., President	50,000	.....	.....	.....	3	8
Saint Paul's College, Sch. of Theol.[2]	Saint Paul Park, Minn.	Rev. H. J. Hoffert, M.S., Ph.B., President	50,000	10,000	.....	2,400	1	4
Swedish Theological Seminary	Evanston, Ill.	Rev. Albert Ericson, A.M., D.D., President	50,000	40,000	40,000	11,938	4	32
Theological School of Sweden[1]	Upsala, Sweden	Rev. K. A. Janssen, President	4,000	22,225	15,920	.....	5	29
The Biblical Institute of Korea*[1]	Seoul, Korea	Rev. Geo. Heber Jones, D.D., President	50,000	.....	.....	.....	5	120
The Florence B. Nicholson Bible Sem.[1]	Manila, P. I.	Rev. Harvey Farmer, B.S., S.T.B., President	14,500	1,000	1,000	3,000	6	24
The S. L. Baldwin School of Theology*[1]	Foochow, China	Rev. W. A. Main, President	5,000	.....	.....	.....	5	45
Uni. of Chattanooga, School of Theol.[2]	Chattanooga, Tenn.	Rev. John H. Race, A.M., D.D., President	450,000	247,000	221,000	10,000	5	20

* No report; same as last year.
[1] See Foreign Mission Schools.
[2] See list of Colleges, Universities and Classical Seminaries.
[3] Belongs to Nanking University. See Foreign Mission Schools.
[4] Belongs to German Wallace College.
[5] Belongs to Anglo-Japanese College. See Foreign Mission Schools.
[6] See list of Colleges and Universities.
[7] Trustees are reappraising property. Reported value may change.

Foreign Mission Schools

Chinkiang Girls' School	Chinkiang, China	Grace A. Crooks, Principal	$13,000	$.....	$.....	$.....	9	79
Anglo-Chinese College	Foochow, China	Rev. John Gowdy, A.B., B.D., President	51,000	24,000	.....	.....	15	350

Anglo-Chinese Boys' School	Hinghua, China	Rev. Ulric R. Jones, Principal	4,000	.....	.....	.....	27	145
William Nast College	Kiukiang, China	Rev. Carl F. Kupfer, A.B., Ph.D., President	80,000	2,500	2,500	.....	14	132
Stephen L. Baldwin Mem'l Girls' School	Nanchang, China	W. B. Honsinger, Ph.B., Principal	10,000	.....	.....	.....	5	60
Nanking Girls' Normal School	Nanking, China	Miss Laura M. White, B.S., Principal	3,000	.....	.....	.....	15	81
Nanking University	Nanking, China	Rev. A. J. Bowen, President	35,000	3,000	3,000	.....	16	245
Mary Porter Gamewell School	Peking, China	Mrs. Charlotte M. Jewell, Principal	45,000	.....	.....	1,308	13	244
Taianfu Intermediate School for Boys	Taianfu, China	P. O. Hanson, Principal	3,000	.....	.....	.....	7	140
Tientsin Intermediate School for Boys	Tientsin, China	Rev. Burton St. John, A.B., B.D., Principal	15,000	750	750	.....	6	148
Methodist Theological School[1]	Copenhagen, Denmark	Rev. Chr. Jansen, President	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	3
Methodist Theological Seminary[1]	Helsingfors, Finland	Rev. J. W. Haggman, Principal	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	9
Florence B. Nicholson School of Theol.[1]	Baroda, India	Rev. A. A. Parker, A.B., Principal	15,000	.....	.....	1,200	12	84
Philander Smith College	Naini Tal, India	Rev. P. S. Hyde, A.M., Principal	20,000	71,600	.....	25,089	12	112
Crandon International Institute	Rome, Italy	Edith T. Swift, A.B., and Edith H. Burt, Directors	100,000	.....	.....	.....	36	290
Methodist College	Rome, Italy	Edward B. T. Spencer, A.B., President	.....	1,000	1,000	1,466	13	55
Chinzei College	Nagasaki, Japan	Rev. U. Sassamori, Ph.D., D.D., President	40,000	.....	.....	.....	17	384
Anglo-Japanese College	Aoyama, Tokyo, Japan	Rev. S. Ogata, D.D., President	500,000	.....	.....	11,500	33	610
Anglo-Chinese School	Singapore, Sts. Set., Mal	Rev. K. E. Pease, Sc.B., Principal	140,000	135,000	130,000	2,000	33	1,200
Florence B. Nicholson Bible Seminary[1]	Manila, P. I.	Rev. Harry Farmer, B.S., S.T.B., Principal	14,500	1,000	1,000	3,000	6	24
Pachuca English School	Pachuca, Mexico	J. A. Davis, A.M., Principal	10,000	.....	.....	1,500	3	104
Mexican Methodist Institute[1]	Pueblo, Mexico	Rev. P. F. Valderama, D.D., President	25,000	.....	.....	.....	20	224
Norway Theological School[1]	Christiania, Norway	Rev. Ole Olsen, President	.....	8,470	8,070	.....	3	5
American Institute	La Paz, Bolivia, S. Amer.	Rev. F. M. Harrington, Director	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	200
Antofagasta American College	Antofagasta, Chile, S. Amer.	Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Snell, Directors	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	150
American College for Men	Concepcion, Chile, S. Amer.	Rev. B. O. Campbell, Director	40,000	.....	.....	.....	10	180
Concepcion College for Women	Concepcion, Chile, S. Amer.	Rev. G. F. Arms, Director	40,000	.....	.....	.....	13	160
Iquique English College	Iquique, Chile, S. Amer.	Rev. A. S. Watson, Director	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	350
Santiago College	Santiago, Chile, S. Amer.	Miss Hannah J. Hyslop, Director	60,000	.....	.....	.....	22	316
Theological School of Sweden[1]	Upsala, Sweden	Rev. K. A. Jansen, President	4,000	22,225	15,920	.....	5	29

[1] See also Theological Institutions.

The following schools belong in the above list, but are not printed because no reports have been received from them for at least three years. In the summary we have, however, added the student attendance and financial items as given by their officers in their last report to the office:

Chentu College, Hwai Mei High School, Chungking Girls' Boarding School, Foochow Conference Seminary, Foochow Girls' Boarding School, Hinghua Anglo-Chinese High School, Hinghua Biblical Training School, Hamilton Girls' Boarding School, Harley Bible Training School, Kucheng Girls' Boarding School, Kucheng Women's School, Schell Cooper Academy, Ngucheng Girls' Boarding School, Ngucheng Woman's Training School, Wingchiang Boys' Boarding School, Wingchiang Girls' Boarding School, Sites Memorial Academy, American Methodist Institution, Theological and Training School, Reid Christian College, Hardwicke Christian High School, Caroline Wright Memorial School, Kwassui College, Pure Stream Girls' School.

The Iliff School of Theology, Denver, Colorado, is temporarily closed but has a building valued at $72,000 and a productive endowment of $131,000. This is reckoned in our table of total values.

Statistical Summary of Educational Institutions Conducted under the Auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church

CLASS OF INSTITUTIONS	Number of Schools	Value of Grounds and Buildings	Total Endowment	Productive Endowment	Amount of Debts	Value of Property and Endowments Exclusive of Debts	No. of Professors and Teachers	Grand Total [1]
Theological Institutions	[4] 26	$2,988,700	$3,421,586	$2,825,886	$41,838	$6,368,448	131	1,392
Colleges and Universities	54	19,017,462	20,186,768	15,081,245	2,497,182	36,707,048	2,607	37,011
Classical Seminaries	46	3,558,864	1,046,842	863,313	254,195	4,351,511	475	9,930
Institutions exclusively for Women	8	1,334,000	808,135	[3] 808,135	30,000	2,112,135	143	1,373
Foreign Mission Schools	55	1,818,266	496,795	259,740	90,063	2,224,998	708	[2]10,094
Missionary Institutes and Bible Training Schools	4	468,500	106,000	32,000	.....	574,500	61	487
Unclassified Institutions	2	386,000	28,000	28,000	24,000	390,000	43	1,843
Total	195	29,571,792	26,094,126	19,898,319	2,937,278	52,728,640	4,168	62,130
Less Schools duplicated	24	2,385,700	1,381,796	589,920	29,900	3,737,596	144	1,452
Net total for year ending June, 1908	171	27,186,092	24,712,330	19,308,399	2,907,378	48,991,044	4,024	60,678
Net total for year ending June, 1907	175	25,761,547	23,850,486	18,837,409	2,042,501	47,569,532	3,931	59,306

[1] All duplicates are subtracted in the grand totals.
[2] A few of this number are college students proper, but the number of such is small and the reports are incomplete.
[3] Discrepancy between totals in footings and this table, caused by failure of our largest institution to report its productive endowment.
[4] This number includes Iliff School of Theology.

THE BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Board of Sunday Schools is the lineal descendant and the direct successor of the Sunday School Department of the Board of Education, Freedmen's Aid and Sunday Schools, and of the still earlier Sunday School Union of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Its history in brief is as follows:

The Sunday School Union was organized in 1827. At the first annual meeting of the Society there were reported 251 auxiliary societies, 1,025 schools, 10,290 teachers, and 63,240 scholars. Nathan Bangs, in his History of the Methodist Episcopal Church, states: "The Sunday School Union of the Methodist Episcopal Church has become defunct." The reason for this decease he says is, "an injudicious attempt to amalgamate the Bible, Tract and Sunday School Societies together, by which the business of these several societies might be transacted by one board of management." This arrangement so far failed in its spirit and work that for three years preceding 1840 it was practically dead. Stevens says that the Sunday School Union was resuscitated by the zeal of some New York Methodists and by an act of the General Conference of 1840.

After this resuscitation the Union continued as a separate and distinct organization till January 1, 1907, when in compliance with the action of the General Conference of 1904 it was incorporated and made a part of the Board of Education, Freedmen's Aid and Sunday Schools. This experiment at amalgamation, like the earlier one, was far from being a success, and the General Conference of 1908 separated the Board of Education, Freedmen's Aid and Sunday Schools, and out of the Sunday school part of it created a Board of Sunday Schools with headquarters at Chicago, and elected a corresponding secretary to have full charge of the administrative, educational, and missionary work of the Board. It also elected an editor of Sunday school literature, whose time should be wholly given to the development of Sunday school periodicals and lesson helps.

The managers of this new Board of Sunday Schools held their first meeting in Chicago July 29–30, 1908, adopted articles of incorporation and perfected their organization as directed by the General Conference of 1908.

When the Sunday school work was first organized in 1827, the Rev. Nathan Bangs was chosen corresponding secretary. Since 1840, when the work came directly under the control of the General Conference, the corresponding secretaries have been: Dr. Daniel D. Kidder, 1844–1856; Dr. Daniel Wise, 1856–1868; Dr. J. H. Vincent, 1868–1888; Dr. J. L. Hurlbut, 1888–1900; Dr. T. B. Neely, 1900–1904; Dr. J. T. McFarland, 1904–1908; Dr. David G. Downey, 1908–. In 1908 Dr. J. T. McFarland was elected editor of Sunday school literature.

The work of the Board of Sunday Schools is fairly outlined in the following statement made by the General Conference of 1908.

For the moral and religious instruction of our children and for the promotion of Bible knowledge among all our people, there shall be a Board of Sunday Schools, duly incorporated according to the laws of the State of Illinois, and having its headquarters in the city of Chicago, and the said Board shall have general oversight of all the Sunday school interests of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and shall be sub-

ject to such rules and regulations as the General Conference may from time to time prescribe.

The work of the Board of Sunday Schools shall be to found Sunday schools in needy neighborhoods; to contribute to the support of Sunday schools which, without assistance, cannot continue; to educate the Church in all phases of Sunday school work, constantly endeavoring to raise ideals and to give impulse and direction in general to the study of the Bible by the Church.

Board of Managers

THE General Conference of 1908 completely reorganized the Sunday school work of Methodism, giving it an independent status and electing a Board of Managers to carry on its work. The first Board chosen under the new order is as follows:

Bishop Henry Spellmeyer, Bishop William A. McDowell, Bishop Robert McIntyre. AT LARGE.—Mr. Frank L. Brown, Brooklyn, N. Y; Rev. W. O. Shepard, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. B. F. Shipp, Decatur, Ill.; Mr. Wesley Sears, Jackson, Mich.; Mr. William E. Carpenter, Brazil, Ind.; Mr. E. R. Graham, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. P. H. Swift, Austin, Ill.; Rev. C. M. Stuart, Evanston, Ill.; Mr. H. H. C. Miller, Evanston, Ill. DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES.—I, Rev. Edgar Blake, New Hampshire Conference; II, Mr. H. P. Bennett, New Jersey Conference; III, Rev. C. E. Mogg, Wyoming Conference; IV, Mr. John Walton, Philadelphia Conference; V, Rev. Joseph Clark, Ohio Conference; VI, Rev. W. S. Bovard, Central Tennessee Conference; VII, Rev. B. M. Hubbard, Louisiana Conference; VIII, Rev. Naphtali Luccock, Saint Louis Conference; IX, Rev. I. B. Schreckengast, Iowa Conference; X, Mr. John M. Mitchell, Southern Illinois Conference; XI, Rev. E. Robb Zaring, Indiana Conference; XII, Rev. F. M. Rule, Minnesota Conference; XIII, Rev. F. T. Enderis, Chicago German Conference; XIV, Mr. Harry Morton, California Conference; XV, Rev. U. F. Hawk, Columbia River Conference. ADVISORY MEMBERS.—Rev. David G. Downey, corresponding secretary; Rev. John T. McFarland, editor of Sunday school literature.

Officers.—*President*, Bishop W. F. McDowell; *First Vice-President*, Bishop Henry Spellmeyer; *Second Vice-President*, Bishop Robert McIntyre; *Recording Secretary*, Rev. W. O. Shepard; *Treasurer*, Mr. E. R. Graham; *Corresponding Secretary*, Rev. David G. Downey; *Assistant Secretary*, Rev. Edgar Blake.

General Offices.—57 Washington Street, Chicago, Ill.

Departments of the Board.—The work of the Board shall be done under the following Departments: Administration, Finance, Education, Extension, Foreign Work.

For carrying forward the work of these Departments there shall be appointed, at the regular meeting of the Board in January of each year, the following standing committees:

a. *An Executive Committee*, which shall consist of three (3) ministers and three (3) laymen, the chairmen of the other standing committees of the Board, the president, secretary and treasurer *ex officio*. It

shall be the duty of this committee to consider and act on all applications for aid. In the interim of the meetings of the Board, the Executive Committee shall have all the powers of the Board of Managers. All action taken by this committee is to be reported to the Board at its annual meeting, and a record of each meeting is to be forwarded to each member of the Board. Seven shall constitute a quorum.

b. *A Finance Committee*, which shall consist of the treasurer and four (4) additional members of the Board. It shall be the duty of this committee to devise ways and means to increase the resources of the Board, to audit the report of the treasurer, and all accounts and bills presented to the Board.

c. *A Committee on Religious Education*, which shall consist of seven (7) members, and to which shall be referred matters relating to the course of study in our schools, the formation and maintenance of Teacher Training Classes, and the establishment (as far as may be possible) in our colleges and theological seminaries of courses in child study, religious pedagogy and such kindred subjects as will make for the broadening and enriching of the life and work of our Sunday schools.

d. *A Committee on Extension*, which shall consist of five (5) members, and to which shall be referred matters relating to Sunday school missionary work and workers. This committee is expected to make careful study of the entire field, with reference to Sunday school opportunities and needs, and report its conclusions and recommendations to the Board, or to the Executive Committee.

e. *A Committee on Foreign Work*, to consist of five (5) members, and to which shall be referred all matters relating to Sunday school work in the foreign field.

The Board seeks first to improve the quality of existing schools. Secondly the establishment of new schools in the new and growing sections of our country. Vast territories are without Sunday schools or churches of any denomination. Into this new field the Board goes, organizes a school, equips it with literature and supplies and starts it on a career that will mean much for the moral and religious life of the community. Out of these Sunday schools will surely grow great and strong Methodist churches.

Sunday school missionaries are being appointed in various strategic centers, whose business it will be to advance and develop our Sunday school interests.

Another policy of the Board is the developing within the bounds of each Conference of a Conference Board of Sunday Schools charged with the special oversight of Sunday school work within the Conference. A part of the work of this Conference Board is, in coöperation with the General Board, to bring the schools up to the standard of excellence adopted by the Board, which is as follows:

(a) A Cradle Roll. (b) A Home Department. (c) Departments or Class Groups for the following approximate ages: Beginners, 3 to 5 years; Primary, 6 to 8 years; Junior, 9 to 12 years; Intermediate, 13 to 15 years; Senior or Adult, 16 years and over. (d) The use of Lesson Helps, authorized by our General Conference, published for these five departments. (e) Supplemental lessons taught in first four departments or groups of classes. (f) A Teacher-Training Class, using the course approved by the Board of Sunday Schools. (g) One or

more organized Adult Bible Classes. (h) A Sunday School Missionary organization. (i) A Sunday School Temperance organization. (j) A committee on Sunday School Evangelism with the observance of Decision Day or its equivalent. (k) The observance of Sunday School Day—with an offering for the Board of Sunday Schools, as authorized by the General Conference.

Benevolent Work.—The work of the Board of Sunday Schools is benevolent and philanthropic as well as informational, inspirational and educational. Grants of literature and supplies are freely made to the needy and deserving schools in our home Conferences, while the Sunday school work in the various mission fields depends in large measure upon the generous gifts of this Board for its maintenance and future growth. The following suggestive outline will give a fair idea of the purposes and plans of the Board:

Its aim is—To maintain Sunday school missionaries.

To found new schools in needy places.

To make grants of literature and money for the development of Sunday school work at home and in the foreign field.

To stimulate interest in Bible study throughout the entire Church and to raise the standard of Sunday school study and teaching.

To publish leaflets and literature dealing with methods of work, grading of schools, and the newer ideals and principles in the Sunday school world.

To emphasize the spiritual privileges and rights of the child and to aid in bringing the child to the experience of spiritual consciousness and to the expression of that consciousness in positive love of Christ and practical service to humanity.

To inspire our youth with noble enthusiasm, generous ideals, chivalric courage, dauntless faith, and the high joy and cheer of the quest for goodness.

To train up a generation of high-minded, pure-hearted, generous youth who will know and love the Bible, who will be intensely interested in the moral integrity and well-being of the Home, State, and the Nation, and who will be absolutely loyal to Christ, the moral hero, and the living leader and Lord of the race.

Financial.—The Board is entirely dependent upon the voluntary contributions of the churches and Sunday schools of Methodism for the maintenance of its educational, benevolent and extension work. To aid in this matter the General Conference constituted a special day, making its observance obligatory, as the following quotation from the General Conference Journal shows:

Sunday School Day.—It shall be the duty of every pastor to cause every church under his charge to observe the last Sunday in October, or such other Sunday as may be more convenient, as Sunday School Day, and upon said day as part of the service he shall take a collection to be devoted to the maintenance and advancement of our Sunday school work throughout the bounds of the Church. The pastor shall forward said collection directly to the secretary of the Board of Sunday Schools.

The need of a generous annual offering for the Board of Sunday Schools will be evident to one who will carefully consider the work of the Board as outlined on the next page. The profits from our Sunday school literature are devoted to the support of the Conference Claim-

ants, and the proceeds of the Children's Day Collection belong to the Board of Education. If the Board of Sunday Schools is to do the aggressive missionary work committed to it by the General Conference, it must have at least one hundred thousand dollars a year from the Church at large.

Why the Board of Sunday Schools Should be Supported.—(1) The Sunday school represents the largest single interest of the Church, its membership being about two per cent more than the total membership of the Church. (2) The Sunday school deals with the period and condition of life which make possible the largest spiritual results. Out of the ranks of the Sunday school come seven eighths of the accessions to the membership of the Church. (3) In new and neglected fields the Sunday school will be the beginning of a church. (4) The Board of Sunday Schools is the only organization of the Church which devotes itself to giving direction to the study and teaching of the Bible. (5) The strengthening of the Sunday schools will contribute to the growth of all the benevolent societies of the Church. (6) The Sunday school is preëminently the school of the Church for the training of Christian workers.

THE FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY

THE action of the last General Conference in placing the work for the Christian education of the Negro under one Board, and making this work the sole business of that Board, gives the Church an opportunity such as she has not had before to make a clear-cut appeal for the uplift of the black man. In making this new appeal for the uplift of the colored man, and in giving him a larger life of usefulness in the republic, the Methodist Episcopal Church should take the lead. She has within her membership today a larger number of colored people than any other connectional church, having all races in its membership, and has already done much to encourage them in their struggles toward manhood and womanhood.

This action of the General Conference, we are glad to say is meeting the hearty approval of the Church. We believe that the hour is ripe for a new presentation of the claims of the Negro, and hope that Christian patriots North and South will join with us in our efforts to give to this struggling race such mental and moral training as will fit them to become upright and useful citizens of the republic.

Schools.—There are at present, under the new order, twenty-four schools all among the colored people, with buildings and grounds valued at $1,452,698, of which $1,364,698 is owned by the Society itself, and the remaining $88,000 is owned by local boards of trustees. These institutions are planted in the several Black Belts of the South, and are at the very doors of the people who need us most. The enrollment in the schools the past year has been larger than at any time in the history of our work. In the twenty-four schools among the colored people there were 8,319 students, and in the twenty-two

schools among the white people, now transferred to the Board of Education, there were 3,833, making a total enrollment of 12,152, an increase over last year of 173. This increase is almost entirely in schools for the education of colored people. In several of the schools, principally Claflin University at Orangeburg, S. C., and Wiley University at Marshall, Tex., the capacity of the dormitories was not sufficient to accommodate all the boarding students who applied. This deficiency has been met at Claflin by the completion of the Mary E. Dunton Hall for boys, costing $37,500, and a boys' dormitory is now under erection at Wiley University. In all probability the attendance at these two schools will be much larger the coming year.

Moral and Religious Influence.—The moral and religious influence which characterize the work of these schools is an important phase of the work. The teachers are Christian men and women who appreciate the importance of the moral element in education. Revivals are held in all the schools during the year commencing usually on the Day of Prayer for Colleges, and many students are annually converted. The Bible is used as a text book. The Church, prayer meeting, Epworth League and Sunday school services are maintained in all the larger institutions, the object being not only to secure personal consecration and submission to God, but to give systematic training to the students, so they may be of the highest usefulness to the Church and their people as they go out to labor among them. As a result of the Clifton Conference held at Clifton, Mass., through the courtesy of Mr. W. N. Hartshorn, August 18–21, for the purpose of studying the religious and moral condition of the Negro, the International Sunday School Association is placing, at their own expense, trained and experienced teachers for Biblical and Sunday school work in the schools under Christian auspices throughout the South, which will materially supplement the work which the Society has been carrying on for many years. Another important phase of the work is the preparation of young men and women as Christian teachers. Graduates by the thousands have been sent forth as teachers, not only in private schools, but in the public schools of the state. As might be expected these graduates are in great demand by superintendents of public schools. In several states these graduates of our schools are exempt from examination, the New Orleans University at New Orleans, La., and Wiley University at Marshall, Tex., being notable examples.

Industrial Education.—The main strength of the industrial work of the Society is centered in six strategic points—Claflin University at Orangeburg, S. C., Morristown Industrial College at Morristown, Tenn., Rust University at Holly Springs, Miss., Clark University at Atlanta, Ga., Gilbert Industrial College at Baldwin, La., and Wiley University at Marshall, Tex. Industrial education in some form is taught in all the schools, but in order to secure the largest results the work has been concentrated at these important centers representing the several sections of the Black Belt of the South, where industrial education is taught on a larger scale. The work at Claflin University, Orangeburg, S. C., the largest industrial school, where more than twenty different trades and industrial pursuits are taught, is constantly growing. This school is making a specialty, not only of training young men and women in the industries, but in training teachers for

industrial schools. Some of the most efficient heads of departments in Tuskegee and other industrial schools were trained at Claflin. Several departments, including agriculture, have been added during the past year, and the work is in a most prosperous condition. A generous appropriation from the John F. Slater Fund, through its secretary, Dr. Buttrick of New York, has been for years made to this institution, and the Board of Managers is greatly indebted to them for this valuable aid and assistance. The industrial department at Claflin received a gold medal from the Jamestown Exposition for excellency in blacksmithing, wagon-making, masonry and carpentry. At Clark University, Atlanta, Ga., during the last year a department of scientific farming was organized. The young men, who are receiving instruction on the farm, pay their way through school by working during the day and receiving literary instruction at night. In this way twenty-five were kept in the Institution last year. The importance of this agricultural work in Georgia is emphasized by the fact that the Legislature of Georgia, in a recent session, established eleven agricultural schools in the state, all of which are now in operation. It is unfortunate that not one of these institutions is open to colored youth. This fact emphasizes the importance of this department at Clark to meet the necessities of a people for better methods of farming, a large majority of whom must depend upon the farm for their living. At Morristown Industrial College, Morristown, Tenn.; Gilbert Industrial College at Baldwin, La.; Wiley University at Marshall, Tex., and Rust University at Holly Springs, Miss., blacksmithing, carpentry, broom-making, masonry, electrical and mechanical engineering are special features. There were 3,343 students in the schools last year taking systematic instruction in industrial work.

Self-support Among the Colored Conferences.—No system of education, industrial or academic, that does not seek to develop manliness, self-respect, and self-reliance in the student is worth while, and is doomed to failure. The policy from the very beginning has been to develop as rapidly as possible self-help among the people, and we are pleased to say the plan has succeeded admirably. This is especially true of the Conferences among the colored people. The South Carolina Conference, which has made such a fine record in self-help, continues to advance. This Conference gave last year for Freedmen's Aid, $7,935.11, being several thousand dollars in excess of the largest amount contributed by any of the wealthy Conferences in the North. When it is remembered that the earning power of the lay members of this Conference on the cotton and rice plantations, where most of them live, is from 65 to 80 cents per day, this contribution is truly remarkable. The average salary of the ministers in this Conference is $335 per year, so that every cent given meant sacrifice on the part of both preachers and people. It is important also to note that this Conference gave $8,000 to the Missionary Society, their total benevolences being a little more than $17,000, and this from a people who a generation ago did not own the few pieces of clothing that covered their bodies when Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation was issued. The Atlanta, Texas, and West Texas Conferences have also made splendid records. During the last few years Conferences have raised for buildings and equipment nearly $80,000. These incidents of self-help are fitting tributes to the work of this Society, after forty-two years in the South, by the people for whom it was organized and in

whose interest it is carried forward. They are also convincing appeals for continued contributions for the support of a work which has done so much in training the people in self-reliance and true manliness. Methodism should congratulate herself that in little more than a generation she has secured such a constituency who are doing so much out of their poverty to help themselves.

Conference Collections.—Notwithstanding the confusion in the statistical blanks, by which evidently money intended for this work was not so reported, our Conference collections amounted to $113,291.16, as against $113,130.04 the year before, making an increase of $161.12. Individual gifts to schools for buildings, endowment, etc. amounted to $250,000, so that the total receipts from Conference collections proper and Conference collections for schools were $363,291.16, the largest collection which this work has ever received, and is an indication that it still has a place in the thought of the Church.

The Lincoln Centennial.—The Lincoln Birthday Sunday was more generally observed last year than at any time in the past. The increasing interest manifested by the Epworth Leagues and Sunday schools was very gratifying. There were 1,987 requests from Epworth Leagues and Young People's Societies for literature from the office, and more than 35,000 pieces of literature, tracts, pamphlets, etc., were distributed among the churches. As a result, the collection in the churches, leagues and Sunday schools was the largest ever received since the day has been observed. In view of the fact that next February marks the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, the General Committee took unanimous action, asking that $300,000 be raised as a special gift for urgent needs in extending the work, the beginning of an endowment for the schools, and the payment of the debt of the Society. This action was taken with great enthusiasm, and it is hoped that this Centennial offering will greatly relieve the Society of its pressing needs. Gifts of any amount to the credit of this fund will be thankfully received. A new song service, tracts, maps, and other literature will be furnished pastors free of charge. Please address the corresponding secretaries, M. C. B. Mason and P. J. Maveety, 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O.

Board of Managers.—*Bishops*, John M. Walden, 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O.; David H. Moore, 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O.; William F. Anderson, Chattanooga, Tenn. *Ministers*, H. C. Jennings, 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O.; J. D. Walsh, Paintsville, Ky.; Levi Gilbert, 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O.; John Pearson, Hotel Glencoe, Mount Auburn, Cincinnati, O.; A. J. Nast, 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O.; D. L. Aultman, 915 Blair Avenue, Avondale, Cincinnati, O.; A. E. Craig, 39 Jefferson Avenue, Columbus, O.; E. A. White, 3053 Kerper Avenue, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, O.; Daniel Dorchester, 5520 Baum Avenue, Pittsburg, Pa.; Joshua Stansfield, 1623 North Illinois Street, Indianapolis, Ind.; H. C. Jameson, 2525 Gilbert Avenue, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, O.; H. D. Ketcham, 1034 Wesley Avenue, Cincinnati, O. *Laymen*, George B. Johnson, 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O.; W. F. Boyd, Carlisle Building, Cincinnati, O.; A. W. Harris, Evanston, Ill.; H. C. Minnich, Oxford, O.; O. F. Hypes, Springfield, O.; C. W. Bennett, Piqua, O.; R. B. McRary, Lexington, N. C.; C. L. Greno, 325 Main Street,

Cincinnati, O.; H. A. Schroetter, 432 Madison Avenue, Covington, Ky.; Dr. I. D. Jones, 1014 McMillan Street, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, O.

Appropriations to the Schools.—The appropriations for 1908–09 from the General Fund, made November 1908, which is a slight increase over the previous year, were as follows:

Theological	$13,500
Collegiate	55,550
Academic	14,650
Total to schools	$83,700
Administration, interest, bonds, annuities and fixed charges	38,100
Total appropriations	$121,800

Apportionments to Conferences and Missions.—Apportionments for 1908–09 made by the General Committee are as follows:

Conference		Conference		Conference	
Alabama	$250	Iowa	$3,000	Oklahoma	$600
Arizona Mission	150	Kalispell	50	Oregon	900
Arkansas	400	Kansas	2,200	Pacific Japanese	....
Austin	500	Kentucky	1,000	Pacific German	....
Atlanta	2,000	Lexington	1,000	Philadelphia	9,000
Atlantic Mission	50	Lincoln	150	Pittsburg	7,000
Baltimore	7,000	Little Rock	1,000	Puget Sound	1,000
Black Hills Mission	200	Louisiana	2,500	Rock River	8,000
Blue Ridge	150	Maine	1,500	Saint Johns River	250
California	3,000	Michigan	5,000	Saint Louis	2,500
California German	100	Minnesota	2,000	Saint Louis German	550
Central Alabama	500	Mississippi	1,200	Savannah	700
Central German	600	Missouri	1,200	South Carolina	3,700
Central Illinois	4,500	Mobile	400	Sweden	150
Central Missouri	1,000	Montana	500	Southern California	2,000
Central New York	5,000	Nebraska	1,400	Southern German	100
Central Ohio	5,000	Nevada Mission	150	Southern Illinois	2,000
Central Pennsylvania	8,000	Newark	7,000	South Kansas	2,000
Central Swedish	200	New England	7,000	Southwest Kansas	1,700
Central Tennessee	300	New England Southern	3,000	Tennessee	1,000
Chicago German	400	New Hampshire	2,000	Texas	1,800
Cincinnati	6,000	New Jersey	5,500	Troy	5,500
Colorado	1,500	New Mexico Miss., English	100	Upper Iowa	4,300
Columbia River	900	New Mexico M. Conf., Span.	50	Upper Mississippi	1,700
Dakota	1,000	New York	8,000	Utah Mission	150
Delaware	2,100	New York East	9,000	Vermont	1,500
Des Moines	5,000	North Carolina	1,000	Washington	3,000
Detroit	5,000	North Dakota	600	W. Norwegian & Danish Mission	50
East German	550	Northern German	350	West German	400
East Maine	1,000	Northern Minnesota	1,400	West Nebraska	600
East Ohio	6,000	Northern New York	3,600	Western Swedish	100
East Oklahoma	....	Northern Swedish Mission	100	West Texas	1,200
East Tennessee	500	North Indiana	5,500	West Virginia	2,200
Erie	5,000	North Montana Mission	100	West Wisconsin	1,500
Florida	500	North Nebraska	1,000	Wilmington	3,000
Finland Mission	50	North Ohio	4,000	Wisconsin	2,000
Genesee	5,000	Northwest German	300	Wyoming	5,200
Georgia	300	Northwest Indiana	4,000	Wyoming Mission	200
Gulf Mission	100	Northwest Iowa	2,500		
Holston	1,500	Northwest Kansas	600		
Idaho	400	Northwest Nebraska	150		$268,110
Illinois	6,000	Norwegian and Danish	200		
Indiana	6,000	Ohio	5,000		

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

THE American Bible Society closed its ninety-second year on the thirty-first of March, 1908. It is now in the midst of its ninety-third year and its agents are busy in all parts of the world attending to the one task that has been the great task of the Society since its foundation, the translation, revision, publication, and circulation of the Holy Scriptures throughout the United States, and the great mission fields of the world.

During this present year the Society has had the largest offer ever made to its funds from any source. Mrs. Russell Sage has proposed that if the Society will raise half a million dollars toward a permanent endowment, she will contribute half a million toward the same end, so that the Society may add to its present endowment, which only amounts to $700,000, a million dollars, in order that the current income may be supplemented and the varying receipts of each year kept more stable by the income of this permanent fund. The auxiliary societies, the Christian churches, and individuals are showing a deep interest in this endowment. The Society's work for the current year calls for an income of $562,700 to meet the appropriations made for the home field and the foreign fields, and in the coming year this appropriation should be greatly enlarged. The Society has at the present time in addition to its 400 auxiliary societies, seven Home Agencies covering more than 30 states of the Union. Through these agencies last year there were circulated in the United States Scriptures in more than 65 different languages. The total issues for the year ending March 31, 1908, were 1,895,941 volumes. Of these 989,231 volumes were issued from the Bible House in New York, and 906,710 from the Society's agencies abroad. The total issues of the Society during the 92 years amounted to 82,316,323 volumes. There were employed in the work of circulation of the Scriptures during the year 43 persons in the United States of America, in addition to those employed by the auxiliary societies, and over 500 persons in the Society's agencies abroad. The average time of actual service was about six months. The total receipts of the Society during the year, omitting trust funds amounted to $534,020.24.

The work of the translation and revision of the Scriptures is going forward constantly during the year. Three Union Chinese Versions of the New Testament in High Wenli, Easy Wenli, and Mandarin, were reported to the Centenary Conference at Shanghai, China. The Shanghai Colloquial Version has been completed during the year. Revision work on the Gospel of Luke, and the Book of Revelations has been going forward in Siam. The Committee on Portuguese Revised Version are diligently at work in Brazil, especially on the Epistles and Book of Revelations. Revision work on the Zulu Bible has been in progress in South Africa, and the translation of the Old Testament has been going forward in Sheetswa in Southeast Africa. On the west coast of Africa progress has also been made on the Bulu Gospels. In the Philippines, work has been going forward on the Cebuan New Testament, and the Ilocano Old Testament, and a beginning has been made on the translation of the Gospels in the Samarino language. In Korea progress has been made in the translation of Exodus, 2 Samuel, 1 and 2 Kings, Ecclesiastes, and Isaiah of the Old

Testament, and in Micronesia, the New Testament has been translated and published in the language of Nauru.

The Annual Report of the Society gives a full statement of the work in each of the seven Home Agencies, and the twelve Foreign Agencies of the Society. Copies can be secured by requesting the same from the secretaries and sending ten cents to cover the postage. A brief summary of the Annual Report called "The Story of the American Bible Society, 1908," will be sent free on application. The Bible Society Record, published monthly, giving an illustrated account of the work of the Society in all lands, is sent to one subscriber for thirty cents a year. Correspondence concerning either the domestic or foreign operations of the Society, together with applications for donations and grants, should be addressed to the secretaries. Communications relating to life memberships, accounts, legacies, and funds, likewise orders, should be addressed to the treasurer. The management of the Society is vested in a Board composed of 34 members of whom a number are representatives of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The *Treasurer* is Mr. William Foulke, and the *secretaries* of the Society are the Rev. John Fox, D.D., of the Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. William I. Haven, D.D., of the Methodist Episcopal Church, *corresponding secretaries*; and the Rev. Henry O. Dwight, LL.D., of the Congregational Church, *recording secretary*. Upon the secretaries and the treasurer the chief burden of the development and prosecution of the Society's mission devolves.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The thirty-ninth annual meeting of the General Executive Committee of this Society was held in the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, October 29 to November 5, 1908. Progress was manifest in every department of the Society's work.

Finances.—$673,400.04 has been raised during the last year. This was distributed by branches as follows: New England Branch, $53,487; New York, $98,456.78; Philadelphia, $62,049.56; Baltimore, $21,751.41; Cincinnati, $84,227.31; Northwestern, $150,585.73; Des Moines, $65,681.39; Minneapolis, $38,967.48; Topeka, $46,657.64; Pacific, $37,240; Columbia River, $14,295.56. During the thirty-nine years of its organization, the Society has raised $9,905,685.

Branch Corresponding Secretaries.—The management of this Society depends largely upon the branch corresponding secretaries, namely: New England, Miss M. E. Holt, 4 Berwick Park, Boston, Mass.; New York, Mrs. J. M. Cornell, Seabright, N. J.; Philadelphia, Miss C. J. Carnahan, Shady and Walnut Streets, Pittsburg, Pa.; Baltimore, Mrs. E. D. Huntley, "The Portner," Washington, D. C.; Cincinnati, Mrs. R. L. Thomas, E. McMillan Street, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, O.; Northwestern, Mrs. F. P. Crandon, 1414 Forest Avenue, Evanston, Ill.; Des Moines, Mrs. W. B. Thompson, Des Moines, Ia.; Minneapolis, Mrs. F. F. Lindsay, 25 Seymour Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.; Topeka, Miss Ella M. Watson, 1701 South Seventeenth Street, Lincoln, Neb.; Pacific, Mrs. S. F. Johnson, 520 Oakland Avenue, Pasadena, Cal.; Columbia River, Mrs. A. M. Fisher, 214 Twelfth Street, Portland, Ore.

The General Executive is divided into two committees, the Foreign Department, consisting of the president and corresponding secretaries, and the Home Department, consisting of the vice-president and associate secretaries. All cases of emergency arising in the interim of the sessions of the General Executive Committee, must be submitted to the Foreign Department. The secretary of this Department is Miss Ella M. Watson, Lincoln, Neb.

Home Statistics.—The auxiliary societies number 5,581, with 164,581 members; young people's organizations 1,392, with 37,978 members; King's Heralds organizations 1,156, with 27,821 members; The Little Light Bearers 564 organizations, with 15,594 members.

German Work.—In this department of work there are 10,591 members; 6,275 of these are women, 12,611 young people and 1,194 King's Heralds; 8,730 are in America, and 1,861 in Europe. The receipts during the last year were $20,275.14 in America, and $839.93 in Europe, making a total of $21,115.07, an increase of $3,131.45 during the year. Miss Louise C. Rothweiler, 1190 Mozart Street, Columbus, O., is the effective secretary of the German work.

Scandinavian Work.—Miss Hannah Henschen, 2,830 North Hermitage Avenue, Chicago, Ill., is the secretary of the department. She reports 119 auxiliaries, with 3,136 members, and the receipts for the year have been $5,528.57.

Young People.—Miss Winifred Spaulding retains her position as secretary of the Young People and Standard Bearers. The year has been marked by the increase in interest of the young people. Many missionaries are now entirely supported by them. Miss Spaulding's address during the coming year will be Madisonville, O.

Children.—Mrs. Lucy F. Harrison continues as the successful leader of the children's work. Her address is Pasadena, Cal. The King's Heralds now number 27,821; these are children from eight to fourteen; and the Little Light Bearers number 15,594.

Missionaries and Their Fields.—There are now 321 missionaries working in India, Malaysia, China, Korea, Japan, Philippines, Africa, Italy, Bulgaria, Scandinavia, Switzerland, Germany, Norway, Mexico and South America. Thirteen have gone out during this last year, and seventeen are waiting to go. Our missionaries work through day schools, and boarding schools, orphanages, and training schools, Sunday schools, and churches, hospitals, and dispensaries, zenana visiting, and in every possible way that a soul may be reached.

Folts Mission Institute, Herkimer, N. Y.—This training school prepares women for work either in the foreign or the home field. It is the property of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, under the management of this Society. The grade of work done is of the highest order and the course of study is particularly adapted to college women. The curriculum includes English Bible, Psychology, Religious Pedagogy, Comparative Religion, Sociology, Church History, and History of Missions, Elocution, Domestic Arts and Science, Music, Physical Culture, Bookkeeping and Practical Field Work. More than 40 representatives of the school are now at work in the general missionary field. The president is Mrs. A. E. Sanford.

General Office.—This office has proved during the last year that it answers a long felt want. It is located at Room 611, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York. The files of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, of the Branch Annuals, and of the Woman's Missionary Friend, are kept here for reference. Information regarding our missionaries, and missionaries of other denominations, is also on file. Miss Elizabeth Bender, the General Secretary, assists outgoing missionaries and welcomes incoming ones.

Committee on Real Estate in Foreign Lands.—This committee consists of Mrs. W. B. Davis, Clifton, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. C. D. Foss, Philadelphia, Pa., and Miss Pauline Waldon. It has been arranging deeds and owners to our property in foreign lands; we now have real estate amounting to $1,358,932.

Periodicals.—The Woman's Missionary Friend has a circulation of 25,535. The Children's Missionary Friend has 36,415, an increase of 3,700. Der Frauen Missions Freund has a circulation of 4,631. The Study, which is devoted entirely to the consideration of the united study subject, has a subscription list of 33,244. The committee on Missionary Literature has issued during the last year 519,500 leaflets, aggregating 4,469,200 pages.

The power of the press is also called into use in the far off heathen lands. The zenana paper, published in five languages—Hindi, Urdu, Bengali, Marathi, and Tamil—is bringing sunshine into many heathen homes. The Marathi has a subscription of 350. The Tokiwa, our paper in Japan, issued 10,425 copies during the last twelve months.

Editors.—Woman's Missionary Friend, Miss Elizabeth C. Northup, 77 Crescent Street, Waltham, Mass.; Der Frauen Missions Freund, Miss A. M. Achard, 344 Wabash Street, Elgin, Ill.; Children's Missionary Friend, Mrs. O. W. Scott, 86 Highland Avenue, Fitchburg, Mass.; The Study, Miss Mary Isham, University Place, Lincoln, Neb.; Editor of Literature, Miss E. C. Northup; Publisher, Miss Anna G. Bailey, 36 Bromfield Street, Boston, Mass.

Officers.—*President Emeritus*, Mrs. Cyrus D. Foss, 2043 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.; *President*, Mrs. W. F. McDowell, 1936 Sheridan Road, Evanston, Ill.; *Vice-President*, Mrs. A. W. Patten, 616 Foster Street, Evanston, Ill.; *Secretary*, Mrs. C. W. Barnes, Delaware, O.; *Treasurer*, Miss Florence Hooper, 2201 Maryland Avenue, Baltimore, Md.

Changes.—Mrs. C. D. Foss, for twelve years president of the Society, was forced by heavy home duties to give up her position, and she was succeeded by Mrs. W. F. McDowell, of Evanston, Ill.

Deaths.—Two of our workers have been translated during the last year, Mrs. J. T. Gracey, for twenty-three years recording secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and Miss Kate O. Curts, a missionary at Godhra, India.

The General Executive meeting in 1909 will be held in Emory Church, Pittsburg, Pa., which is within the bounds of the Philadelphia Branch.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

THE twenty-seventh annual meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society was held

October 19–27, 1908, in the Church of the Covenant, Philadelphia, Pa., with an accredited enrollment of 204 delegates and 97 visitors, representing 65 Conferences.

Support.—The work of the Society is supported by an annual membership fee of one dollar each for the women's auxiliary societies, fifty cents each for the young women's organizations, and twenty-five cents each for the children's mission bands; together with such additional gifts as women interested in the success and growth of the work are moved to make, such as thankofferings, mite-box collections, etc. These added gifts, together with bequests and annuities, aggregate each year more than twice the annual membership fees.

Finances.—The treasury received during the year 1907-08, $231,751.53 cash, and $409,283.16 vouchers for money expended which did not pass through the treasury. Nearly the entire amount reported by voucher is raised for and expended in deaconess and city mission work. There has been contributed in cash to frontier preachers and to missionary homes and schools through the supply department $55,915.47, making a total of money raised and expended by the Society $696,950.16. The Board of Managers at a recent meeting voted to raise this year a "Building and Improvement Fund" of $50,000 as an extra offering.

The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.—The Woman's Home Missionary Society is happy in the cordial relations existing between it and the "Board of Home Missions and Church Extension." The field being the same the work of the two Boards must of necessity hold an intimate relation, and it is the earnest wish of the Woman's Society that they may be mutually helpful.

The Field.—New England and the cities of the Eastern slope of the country have already become largely foreign and demand strong religious and evangelistic influences, which the local Protestant Churches are not able to supply or, unaided, to support.

The great Northwest of the Pacific slope is being rapidly developed and, with a scattered population and indifferent facilities for communication, the problem of taking care of the religious interests of the people is a perplexing one to the home mission societies of all Christian denominations. Besides this there is an urgent demand upon the Church to help in the solution of the great problems confronting the nation and threatening its political and religious life. The race problem, the Mormon problem, the immigrant, the temperance, and the city problems are all allied, and if a solution of the difficulties confronting the nation and threatening even its life is to be of permanent value, it must be based on the golden rule of which the Church is the best exponent that the world has. To this solution the Woman's Home Missionary Society is trying to contribute to its influence and its means. It addresses itself to the women and children, expecting thereby to make better wives and mothers as well as better homes for the depressed classes.

The Workers.—More than one hundred missionaries and two hundred and eighty deaconesses are at the front representing "a great company" of Methodist women who stand behind them with moral and financial support. The Society has two field workers among the

young people, and eight organizers of auxiliary societies and representatives of the work among the women of the Church.

Membership.—Number of adult members 97,349. Circle members 17,507. Home Guards 6,324. Jewels 20,937.

Literature.—The periodicals of the Society are Woman's Home Missions and Children's Home Missions, the subscription price of the former being thirty-five cents and of the latter twenty cents. Ten copies or more of Children's Home Missions will be sent to one person at the rate of ten cents each. An interdenominational Home Mission Study Course has been established by the woman's societies of the various denominations. Six of these text-books have now been prepared, viz., Under Our Flag, The Burden of the City, Indian and Spanish Neighbors, The Incoming Millions, Citizens of Tomorrow, and The Call of the Waters.

A large body of leaflet literature is circulated each year giving information and inspiration. Editor Woman's and Children's Home Missions, Miss Martha Van Marter, New York. Publisher Woman's and Children's Home Missions, Miss Mary Belle Evans, New York.

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BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION WORK—W. H. M. S.

THE flood tide of immigration was reached, thus far, in 1907. From all our Eastern ports we learn of the outgoing of thousands. There was much poverty and distress among

them, and our workers were kept very busy caring for those who were unavoidably delayed at the ports before starting for their native land. Business depression in this country was the cause of their return. Our workers said the better class of immigrants was the most affected. The lower class was too used to hardships to mind them so much, and stayed to brave them.

1. Philadelphia. Miss Amanda Ford, deaconess in charge of this station, last year met 32 ships, bearing 13,688 passengers; distributed 12,280 Bibles, cared for the women detained, took some to the hospitals, directed others to their proper destination, found situations for others. Gave toys to the poor tired children and helped in every way to lighten their weariness from their long journey from foreign lands.

2. New York Immigrant Girls' Home, 9 State Street.—Miss Alma Matthews during May of this year celebrated the twentieth anniversary of her service at Ellis Island. Many thousands "will rise up and call her blessed." During the past year she met 971 ships, took 645 girls to the Home for the first time, wrote 1,321 letters, sent 461 girls to their friends, secured 119 situations, served 18,198 meals, and provided 4,860 lodgings. Sixteen nationalities were represented.

3. East Boston Home, 72 and 74 Marginal Street.—Unlike the other Home and Station, this Home shelters men as well as women and children. During May of this year the twentieth anniversary of the opening of the Home was celebrated. The statistics of the two decades give a total of 1,543 ships met, 52,105 lodgings and 292,695 meals with 16,572 persons cared for and 33,828 garments given out. During the past year 75 ships met, 2,985 lodgings, 9,451 meals served, 393 women, 506 men, and 83 children in the Home. Of these 738 were Protestant, 157 Catholics, and 56 were Jews. Charlestown Annex cared for 379, gave 436 lodgings, 1,554 meals. *Secretary*, Mrs. C. W. Bickley.

CITY MISSION HOMES

Hull Street Settlement, 36 Hull Street, Boston, Mass.—There were 11,909 treatments at the clinics of the Hull Street Settlement last year. If to this number there be added the people reached through the district work, clubs and classes, we have a total of 14,626 reached and helped by the mission. 5,991 calls were made by the internes and the four pupil nurses. An Italian interpreter is employed in the clinics, Mothers' meetings and district work. Medical lectures to women of the neighborhood have been given, and clubs of young girls for medical instruction have been formed. There is also a training school for nurses. Industrial and musical classes are held, Sunday school and gospel meetings. Mrs. Ada T. Wells, *Superintendent*.

Glenn Industrial Home, 641 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O.—For seventeen successive years the hospitable doors of Glenn Home have swung open in response to the cry of need in our great city. The Home was open every day of the year. Auxiliary to it are the "Glenn Home Mission," Front and Fifth Streets, and the "Cottage at Riverside," which were also open every day of the year except when the missionaries were away upon their vacations in mid-summer.

The large and varied work among the young people was as follows: Boarders in the Home 100. Enrollment in three kindergartens 139, three sewing schools 137, two Sunday schools 133, Mission Band 21, Children's prayer meeting 30, two cooking schools 61, library class 25, mission circle 25, Mothers' Jewels 303, Boys' Temperance Club 100, making a total of 1,074. Though 4,000 visits are usually made the number is less this year on account of illness of the workers, who are truly the friends of God's poor. Thousands of religious papers and tracts were distributed and a large number of Bibles given away. Mothers' Meeting Clubs and missionary meetings were regularly held for adults. In behalf of the Board: Mrs. I. D. Jones, *Chairman.*

Elizabeth E. Marcy Industrial Home, 134 Newberry Avenue, Chicago, Ill.—This Home is situated on the corner of Newberry Avenue and Maxwell Street in the center of the most densely populated part of Chicago, containing in the ninth and tenth wards 85,000 souls. These people speak more than 20 different languages. Six public schools averaging 18,000 pupils each; besides the many parochial schools, are located within five blocks. These hundreds of children have no playground but the street. No quarter in the city needs sympathy and assistance more than Marcy Home. The resident workers, with the Rev. T. C. Warrington as superintendent, have carried forward the work most satisfactorily. The spiritual part of the work has been emphasized especially in the Sunday school. One of the missionaries now at the Home received her first lessons in the Sunday school, and two of the former pupils are now attending Garrett Biblical Institute, preparing for the ministry. The Epworth and Junior Leagues are doing good work and there is a Mothers' Jewels Band with about 100 children, and a band of 50 Home Guards. The Marcy Episcopal Church organized two years ago is the only Protestant Church within a mile. During the past year 3,695 patients have been treated in the dispensary where it has been impossible for want of room to meet the demands, a large number being turned away on Wednesdays and Saturdays, the days patients are received. The kindergarten is very encouraging, having two instructors and 60 pupils. The mothers' meeting is largely attended. The Supply Department has been a factor of great good to the poor, sick and suffering, and has distributed 4,126 garments with many things necessary to the Home and neighborhood. The sewing and cooking classes have done fine work. The library provides a supply of the right kind of reading. *Chairman Committee*, Mrs. Wilmot H. Emerson.

Tillman Avenue Mission.—This is distinctively a Christian settlement under the charge of resident workers. Three workers are now living at the Mission, two deaconesses and a mission kindergarten teacher whose efforts are supplemented by a corps of consecrated Christian workers from several Methodist Episcopal Churches. A large Sabbath school is carried on, a flourishing Epworth League holds regular devotional meetings, a young girls' Bible Class and gospel services are held weekly.

Practical industrial work is carried on in the Boys' and Girls Club, sewing school and kitchengarden. The young children are gathered daily for training in the kindergarten.

This is the first deaconess mission of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, having been started in the year 1887, and it was also the second deaconess institution started in our Church.

VI

INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Prepared unto every good work.—2 Timothy 2. 21

THE EPWORTH LEAGUE

THE Epworth League was organized in Cleveland, O., May 15, 1889. The first meeting of the Board of Control was held in Chicago, Ill., in February, 1890. The publication of the Epworth Herald was authorized by the Book Committee in February, 1890. The League was officially recognized by the General Conference of 1892. The first International Epworth League Convention was held in Cleveland, O., in 1893. These conventions are held biennially, and have occurred in Cleveland, Chattanooga, Toronto, Indianapolis, San Francisco, Detroit, and Denver. The League has a record of constantly increasing usefulness.

Growth.—The number of Senior Chapters in the League about equals the number of pastoral charges in the Church, the charges without chapters being just about offset by those circuits that have more than one chapter. The Junior Chapters represent just about one half of the pastoral charges and have recently rapidly increased in number. During the past quadrennium the active Senior Chapters increased in number more than two thousand.

Financial Support.—During the past four years the policy of the Epworth League has been to attain the financial independence of self-support. Each year the voluntary offerings of the local chapters for this purpose were increased until they practically met the expenditures. The General Conference of 1908 enacted this policy into law. The support of the central office is now a disciplinary collection which must be reported by the pastors at the Annual Conferences. The amount is designated by the Board of Control, and has been fixed at five cents a member for the Senior Chapters, three cents for the Intermediate Chapters and two cents for the Junior Chapters.

Purpose.—The purpose of the League is twofold: promoting intelligent and vital piety among the young people of our church and congregations, and training them in works of mercy and help. Therefore the work and methods are evangelistic and educational.

Evangelization.—Childhood is naturally religious and the little ones belong to God. The ideal state before our Junior League is to provide methods by which the children may be successfully reared up in the church. Youth is by nature the appropriate time for settling the great questions of life. Nearly all conversions take place before passing the early years of our Senior membership; therefore constant and great emphasis is placed upon the evangelistic work in the League.

This movement is taking a deep and rapidiy widening hold upon the Epworth League.

Educational.—The League is the training school of the church. It is the place where, if at all, our young people must attain symmetry and intensity of Christian character and intelligent effectiveness in Christian service. What they become and what they become capable of doing throughout a lifetime of service is obviously of immensely greater importance than what they may actually do during the short formative period. Therefore it is the purpose that in the various activities of the League the emphasis shall be upon the training rather than upon the doing, although the best training must include the doing. The work of saving souls must produce and multiply personal evangelists; money-raising must enlist and train Christian stewards; and so all the work of the chapter, by letting what its members do follow and improve upon what they are, will find its overwhelming value in the character given to their lifework.

Bible Study.—This popular course has achieved surprising success. The entire cycle of studies, covering the whole Bible, has been completed and the books first issued have been revised. The features of the course are being constantly improved and the Bible study classes are rapidly increasing in numbers and interest.

The Morning Watch.—This continues to be a leading factor in the development of the spiritual life of the Epworthians. On the first Sunday of the new year the regular devotional meetings of the local chapters are given to the subject of the Morning Watch.

The Fellow Workers' Covenant.—This enrollment was introduced in 1905 for the enlistment and training of the Epworthians in the work of personal evangelism. The declaration reads as follows: "I wish to be enrolled as one who by persistent personal effort will seek to bring at least five persons to Christ within one year."

Personal Evangelism.—This movement is rapidly gaining ground and receiving more attention throughout the League. It has not been possible to represent the progress of this work statistically because of the overlapping of the work promoted from the central office with that carried on by the Commission on Aggressive Evangelism, but there is no doubt of its wider extension and increasing interest. A text book, "Letters on Personal Evangelism," by Bishop E. H. Hughes, is provided for personal study or for the use of training classes.

Christian Stewardship.—Christian Stewardship is to be recognized as an important interest committed to the care of the Second Department. It alone can assure adequate and permanent support to the enterprises of the church and must, therefore, receive increased attention. A study course is provided with helps for leaders of classes.

General Progress.—The growth of the League in ways that may be statistically expressed measure but a small part of its usefulness. A gain of two thousand in the number of active Senior Chapters during the last quadrennium; the close approach in the number of Senior Chapters to the number of pastoral charges; the very great increase in the number of Junior Chapters and the still greater spread of im-

proved Junior methods; the multiplication of classes for the study of the Bible, missions, and other practical subjects; the growing multitudes who have enrolled as personal soul-winners, Christian stewards, or for the observance of the Morning Watch; the large and rapidly increasing support the enterprises of the Church receive from the League; the leap of the League within a single quadrennium and under unfavorable conditions, from absolute financial dependence to independent self-support; the remarkable growth of the Institute movement to meet the demand of young people who wish to be qualified for better work in the Church; all these, with other important developments that have characterized the recent period of Epworth League progress, confirm the abundant evidences of growing spiritual earnestness and of a rapid widening of the field of Epworth League service.

The Southern Field.—The work of the League in our Colored Conferences is constantly expanding notwithstanding conditions which place formidable difficulties in the way of the circulation of literature and of the extension of the Bible and mission study. Some of the best work of the League is being accomplished in the Freedmen's Aid schools and colleges.

Mission Study.—Mission Study has had a phenomenal growth and has attained a permanent and prominent place in the work of the League. Valuable new courses in Home and Foreign Missions are issued each year. Classes are enrolled with the Young People's Missionary Department, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York. Leaflets descriptive of the work may be secured either there or from the central office.

The Epworth League Institute.—The Institute method for training League workers has been growing in favor for several years. During the summer of 1906 an Epworth League Institute was held under the direction of the central office at Des Plaines, Ill. Every form of League activity received attention and some of the ablest men and women of the church were employed. The Institute received the approval of all who were associated with it as an unqualified success. Out of this Institute a demand developed that resulted in three Institutes in 1907, at Lakeside, Ohio; Lake Geneva, Wis.; and Winfield, Kan.; and in six Institutes in 1908, at Lakeside, Ohio; Franklin, Ohio; Moundsville, W. Va.; Lake Minnetonka, Minn.; Lake Geneva, Wis., and Winfield, Kan. An urgent demand is made for Institutes during the year 1909, at numerous places distributed from the Atlantic to the Pacific. A practical training is given for local leadership in every department of the League with special regard to instruction and inspiration for the attainment of the highest ideals of personal experience and service. At these Institutes large numbers have accepted the call of the Holy Spirit to the ministry, to mission fields, the deaconess work, or other forms of Christian service.

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The central office of the Epworth League is at 57 Washington Street, Chicago, Ill.

THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

This body was first authorized by the General Conference of 1892. The General Conference of 1900 enacted a new chapter in the Discipline thoroughly revising the law relating to the Senate, increasing its power, and giving some specific directions at certain points. The Senate under the new law "shall determine, and at least quadrennially revise, the minimum equivalent of academic work to be required for admission to the baccalaureate degrees in the educational institutions of our church. The curricula thus determined shall provide for the historical and literary study of the Bible in the vernacular." The Senate has the power to investigate the scholastic requirements and methods of any designated institution claiming to be under the patronage of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and shall report to the Board of Education its decision as to whether the requirements and methods of said institution are such as to justify its official recognition by the authorities of the Church. Such decision shall thereafter govern the action of the Board of Education.

The Senate shall at least quadrennially report to the Board of Education its requirements and decisions, and on the basis of these the Board of Education shall in its official lists and in its administration classify the educational institutions of the Church, whatever their legal or self-chosen name may be.

The Senate as appointed by the General Conference of 1908 is by Districts as follows:

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THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

The American University is the product of convictions and the embodiment of ideas held and advocated by some of the keenest thinkers and profoundest statesmen of Methodism for half a century. William Arthur, of England, whose Tongue of Fire is still a book of transcendent power, after a visit to America prior to the Civil War, pronounced his judgment that such an institution should be built at the nation's capital. This opinion was later promoted by such leaders as Matthew Simpson, Edward R. Ames, Erastus O. Haven, Alfred Wheeler, John P. Newman, and other men of large influence in the councils of the Church. The Institution is the inevitable result of the original devotion of Methodists to learning and intellectual training, manifest in the early establishment of schools like Kingswood in England and Cokesbury at Abingdon in America.

Purpose.—The establishment on a broad and comprehensive basis of an institution, neither an imitation nor a rival of any other, which shall furnish a unique and well-articulated system of investigation and instruction, in post graduate courses, in professional and advanced technical schools, and in original research; an institution which shall command the services of the ablest professors and attract the brightest and strongest minds among our youth—under auspices favorable to the deepest spiritual and cleanest moral life.

It purposes in its educational policies to steer a safe and progressive course toward all that is helpful to humanity, avoiding, on the one hand, the blindly conservative spirit of mediæval and traditional stagnation, which fetters the freedom of intellectual inquiry, and, on the other, the exclusively secular spirit which tends to irreverence, agnosticism and immorality, and the atrophy of the higher nature of man.

The Site.—The achievements of the first eighteen years have been numerous and signal. First in its fundamental relation to the whole undertaking was the finding and securing of its habitat. The ideal spot was found by Bishop Hurst in January, 1890. It was a beautiful tract of ground, embracing 92 acres, with a panoramic view over the District of Columbia, the Manassas plains, the long range of the Blue Ridge Mountains, the Potomac notch at Harpers Ferry, and Sugar Loaf Mountain. The title to the site has been vested since 1895 in the trustees. It is situated in the direct line of the extension of Massachusetts Avenue, the finest residential street and the most popular driving thoroughfare in the district. Congress has authorized the extension of this avenue to the site, and work is now (November,

1908) in progress on the portion between Wisconsin and Nebraska Avenues. The acquisition of this superb site in Northwest Washington is ample repayment of the effort of a whole generation.

Gifts.—The total of gifts to the University to date as valued at the time of giving is about $600,000. A conservative estimate of the present value of all its holdings is $1,800,000—amounting to a triple financial increase since the purchase of the site. Subscriptions and other obligations still unpaid give a total of a little more than $2,000,000. Recent gifts include that of five lots in the District of Columbia by Frank X. Kreitler, of Nebraska, Pa.; a bequest by J. C. Brades, of Nanticoke, Pa.; many books and papers of historic interest, including the psalter and hymnal used by President McKinley, from the Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal Church of Washington. Generous remembrance of the University has been made in some recent wills.

President Roosevelt and the General Conference.—The historic event of the year was the coming of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church on May 16, and the address of President Roosevelt to the delegates and other visitors on the grounds of the University. 1,500 came from Baltimore, who were served with an elaborate luncheon in the College of History. This number was increased to about 4,000 by people from Washington. Bishop Cranston presided, Bishop Warren offered prayer, and the president spoke for a half hour words that have gone round the world as one of his strongest utterances on the virtues that make for good government.

The University Courier.—The organ of the University is issued quarterly and will be sent to any address for 25 cents a year. For any information address The American University, 1419 F Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SERVICE

THE title of the "League for Social Service" was changed in the autumn of 1902 to the "American Institute of Social Service." This latter organization is the League under enlarged equipment.

The functions of the Institute are: 1. To gather from all possible sources facts of every kind which bear on social and industrial betterment; 2. To interpret these facts by ascertaining their causes and effects, thus gaining their real significance; and 3. To disseminate the resulting knowledge for the education of public opinion.

Under date of November 10, 1903, President Theodore Roosevelt said in a letter to President Strong: "The possibilities of usefulness for the Institute are well-nigh boundless. I most earnestly hope that all philanthropists will, by personal work, and where they can also with their purses, aid in pushing it forward, and thereby hasten the progress of civilization and the uplifting of humanity."

Officers.—For the year 1909 the following constitute the officers of the Institute:

President, Josiah Strong, D.D.; *Vice-President*, Warner Van Norden; *Hon. Director*, James Dangerfield; *Treasurer*, John T. Perkins; *Recording Secretary*, Dr. Washington Choate; *Lecturer*, Dr. James H. Ecob. The headquarters of the Institute are at The Bible House, Astor Place, N. Y.

CHINA CENTENNIAL THANKOFFERING

THE special campaign for the Methodist work in China closed June 1, 1908. At that time, the Centennial Thankoffering had reached $512,126. Despite the financial depression and the failure of the generous subscriber of $100,000, so that his gift could not be counted, the Church rallied to help meet the strategic opportunities in China.

In his report of the result of the Centennial campaign, Bishop Bashford, on behalf of the workers in China, heartily thanked the whole Church for their coöperation and for this splendid offering. $170,000 of the total amount was given under the Woman's Board and $342,126 under the Board of Foreign Missions. Including one will for $60,000, foreign residents, missionaries, and native members in China gave $115,442 of the total offering. The offering was divided as follows: Pledges payable in installments, $74,800; wills, $67,000; gifts on annuity, $20,000; cash or pledges now payable, $350,326.

But having made this heroic offering, Methodism must not for a moment think that she has done her part in China's evangelization. The contribution of half a million dollars for four hundred million people is only one dollar for every eight hundred people. China will need the generous gifts and the earnest prayers of the Church for years to come. The offering, however, is a notable one. The gifts

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to education, to medical work, and to the direct preaching of the gospel will be as wide-reaching as the empire and as far-reaching as eternity. The sacrifices and generous offering of the Church are enabling Methodism to take a forward step in meeting the strategic opportunity in China and in winning a new civilization for Christ.

	1903	1907	Increase	Percent of Gain
CHURCH MEMBERSHIP:				
Full Members	12,085	17,597	5,512	45.6
Probationers	10,006	12,885	2,879	28.7
Total	22,091	30,512	8,421	38.1
Inquirers, inc. Baptized Children	11,972	25,873	13,901	116.1
Total who have left Heathenism	34,063	56,385	22,322	65.5
SUNDAY SCHOOLS—Number	354	533	179	50.5
Number of Sunday school Scholars	13,174	18,497	5,323	40.4
EPWORTH LEAGUES: Number of Chapters	113	116	3	2.6
Number of Leagues	3,201	3,457	256	7.9
EDUCATIONAL WORK:				
Number of Theological Schools	2	7	5	250.0
Enrollment	45	124	79	175.5
Number of Bible Women's Schools	No Report	16	....	....
Enrollment	No Report	337	....	....
Number of Colleges	2	5	3	150.0
Enrollment	455	1,046	591	129.8
Number of Boarding and High Schools	31	29	....	....
Enrollment	1,554	2,272	718	46.2
Number of Day and Other Schools	284	396	112	39.4
Enrollment	5,504	9,380	3,876	70.4
Total Number of Schools	319	453	134	42.0
Total Enrollment	7,558	13,159	5,601	74.1
MEDICAL WORK:				
Total Number of Hospitals	11	23	12	109.0
Total Number of Dispensaries	14	29	15	107.2
Total Number of Ward Patients	2,758	4,674	1,916	69.4
Total Number of Dispensary and other Treatments	84,199	191,627	107,428	127.5
MISSIONARY FORCE:				
Number of Missionaries Board of Foreign Missions	56	80	24	42.8
Number of Missionaries' Wives	42	66	24	57.0
Number of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Missionaries	58	82	24	41.3
Total Missionary Force	156	228	72	46.1
CHINESE WORKERS:				
Ordained Preachers	112	123	11	9.8
Unordained Preachers	149	463	314	210.7
Local Preachers	277	273	....	....
Exhorters	429	249	....	....
Bible Women	207	328	121	58.4
Other Workers	109	217	108	99.0
Total Number of Workers	1,283	1,653	370	28.8
NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND CHAPELS OWNED (Many additional rented)	240	391	151	62.9
CONTRIBUTIONS OF CHINESE CHURCH:				
Contributed for Self-Support, including Home Missionary Society	*Mexican $16,404 09	*Mexican $30,355 09	*Mexican $13,951 00	85.0
Total Other Contributions	16,577 07	32,089 71	15,512 64	93.5
**Total Contributions Chinese	$32,981 16	$62,444 80	$29,463 64	89.3
Average per Member and Probationer	$1 49	$2 04	$ 55	36.9

Contributions Chinese to the Centennial Collection (Part included in above)..... $40,353 72 Mexican
Contributions of Missionaries to same..... 164,031 00 Mexican

*Two dollars Mexican=one dollar American money.
**Educational and Medical fees not included; only voluntary offerings Chinese.

The above statistics are full of inspiration. There has been an encouraging advance in every form of work. Especially hopeful is the

increase in giving. The per capita contributions of the native church were almost forty per cent greater the last year of the quadrennium than they were in the quadrennium preceding. In addition, the Chinese Church more than met the fifty cents a member asked of them for the China Centennial Thankoffering. The churches on seven districts in China are now paying their pastors' salaries and all the local expenses of the churches. This increase in self-support is one of the most encouraging movements of the last quadrennium.

New evidences of the self-propagating power of the Chinese Church have developed during the quadrennium. The Peking University Student Volunteer Band in 1908 completed its third summer of evangelistic work. The two missionaries of the Methodist Church farthest removed from the missionary office at New York were not sent out from America, neither are they supported by the home church. They are two Chinese preachers of the West China Mission Conference and are supported by the missionaries, native preachers and members of that Conference. They were chosen from six who offered themselves for work in Tibet, to them a foreign country and as far distant in time of travel as from America to China, and they are now at Batang on the borders of Tibet, four months' journey from the missionary office at New York. It is inspiring to know that the farthest outpost of the Methodist Church is manned by Chinese missionaries supported by the Chinese Church.

The last quadrennium saw great forward strides in the movements for coöperation among the missionaries of different denominations. The Peking Conference on Union of 1905 paved the way, and the great Centenary Conference in Shanghai in 1907 took many practical steps looking toward federation. The most practical movement for coöperation in education is in West China at Chentu, in which our Church is leading. A great Union Christian University is being planned, composed of colleges located on adjoining territory, maintained by different missions, and covering the departments first of a college and then of a university, but with no duplication of teaching. The land has already been purchased; in October, 1908, four of the churches approved the plans and agreed to coöperate in pushing the work; and a university in which different denominations coöperate seems assured. In the face of the strategic opportunities coming with the awakening of the empire, and the great needs, denominational differences sink into insignificance. The heroic giving and the developing self-propagating power of the Chinese Church together with the efforts of the missionaries by coöperation to make every dollar count for the very most should fill the home church with confidence and inspire additional investment of money for the Master in the great empire of China.

CHURCH INSURANCE

THE report of the Board of Insurance to the General Conference of 1908 is embodied in the Ninth Annual Report, from which the following is taken:

The Board of Insurance, in its fourth annual session during this quadrennium, upon reviewing the operations of our National Mutual Church Insurance Company for the year and for the four years closing

with December 31, 1907, finds increasing evidence of the wisdom of the General Conference in establishing this work, which has grown steadily, and during the nearly nine years has, at various times, extended protection to such properties as are used in the service of Methodism, to the amount of approximately sixty-five million dollars, of which large amount, policies aggregating over thirty-one million dollars are now in force, covering properties located in every state and territory in the union, including Alaska. Not only were these policies issued upon much more favorable terms than could be obtained of the old line companies, but a large percentage of them, probably one third, covers properties previously without any, or a proper amount, of insurance, which fact we regard as of even greater importance than the saving realized in the lower premiums paid, and the dividends received by the members. Much time is being constantly used by the manager and clerical force in arousing custodians of Methodist properties to the fact that they cannot neglect insurance without proving recreant to their trust, and a campaign of education through correspondence, printed matter, newspaper articles, and addresses before annual Conferences has been persistently carried on.

Much time is also devoted to the inspection of risks and the cultivation of more care in the management and the original construction of buildings, in order to eliminate unnecessary fires and lightning losses.

Of the more than one quarter of a million dollars paid for losses during the quadrennium, not one dollar of which was ever due and unpaid, it is estimated that fully $120,000 could have been saved to Methodism had the custodians of the properties been more careful.

At the close of 1907, the total amount of policies issued aggregated $64,990,734, of which there was then in force, after deducting expirations, $31,377,045. The total premiums, including cash paid and notes held for installments not yet due, $1,033,142.40; the total losses since the beginning of business, $352,243.30; and total expenses, $333,477.24: showing a loss ratio of 34.09 and an expense ratio of 32.5, the latter figure including the cost of organization, publicity, education and inspection.

By unanimous vote of the last General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the contract was approved between its Board of Insurance and our company, thus making this also the official company of the Church South, giving them the benefits enjoyed by our own church, and giving our company a better average of risks than we would otherwise have had in that section of the country. The Church South has now two representatives on the Board of Directors.

The report, which has attached to it reports from the directors of the corporation, the chartered accountants—Marwick, Mitchell & Co.—who certified to the correctness of the accounts, and the usual special exhibits, closes as follows:

The best commendation of the management of our insurance company is the foregoing statement of its work. The Board of Insurance, however, after careful examination, wish to add their high appreciation of the wise, painstaking business management of its affairs, and unqualifiedly commend this company to the confidence and patronage of the entire Church.

Financial Statement, December 31, 1907

RESOURCES

Cash on hand and in Bank		$11,966 88
First Mortgage Loans on Real Estate		1,200 00
Consumers Gas Co., Chicago, 1st. mtg. 5's	$5,000 00	
Commonwealth Electric Co., Chicago, 1st mtg. 5's	5,000 00	
Missouri Edison Elec. Co., St. Louis, 1st mtg. 5's	5,000 00	
Union Elec. Light & Power Co., St. Louis, 1st mtg. 5's	5,000 00	
Pere Marquette R. R. Co., 1st mtg. 4½'s	5,000 00	
Des Moines City R. R. Co., Des Moines, Ia., 1st mtg. 5's	5,000 00	
Indiana Ry. Co., 1st mtg. 5's	4,000 00	
Chicago Edison Co., Debenture 5's	3,000 00	
Village of Lake Bluff, Lake Bluff, Ill., Imp. 5's	2,200 00	
Market value of said bonds over above fig.	110 00	
Interest accrued	552 50	39,862 50
Cash premiums in course of collection on new policies		1,677 10
Note premiums in course of collection		2,407 65
Sundry accounts receivable		446 85
		$57,560 98
Less premiums over 90 days due		107 29
Net cash assets admitted by Ill. Ins. Dept		$57,453 69
Premium Notes not due		280,395 60
Total assets as admitted by Ill. Ins. Dept		$337,849 29
Furniture and fixtures carried inside		3,370 50
Total assets		$341,219 79

LIABILITIES

Losses due and unpaid			None
Losses in process of settlement, including estimate on all reported, less reinsurance			$6,385 12
Sundry accounts payable			4,433 48
Unpaid dividends			1,811 50
Reserve			36,673 33
Surplus:			
Cash	$8,150 26		
Notes	280,395 60	$288,545 86	
Amounts carried inside		3,370 50	291,916 36
			$341,219 79

Statement of Business Transacted Since Incorporation to Dec. 31, 1907

INSURANCE WRITTEN

Total amount of policies in force, Dec. 31, 1907	$31,377,045 00
Reinsured in stock companies	9,563,496 00
Net	$21,813,549 00

PREMIUM ACCOUNT

First year's cash premiums	$227,633 99
Notes for deferred payments	805,508 41
Total	$1,033,142 40

LOSSES INCURRED

FIRE:		
Churches and contents	$235,611 20	
Dwellings, barns and contents	44,337 75	
Educational bldgs. and contents	53,776 90	
Other	956 49	$334,682 34
TORNADO:		
Churches and contents	$16,497 35	
Dwellings, barns and contents	854 61	
Educational bldgs. and contents	209 00	17,560 96
Total since organization		$352,243 30
Received from reinsurance companies		83,364 21
Net		$268,879 09

Paragraph No. 57 of the Discipline was the Enabling Act under which the General Conference of 1896 (journal page 406) provided for the organization of the National Mutual Church Insurance Co. of Chicago. When the corporation obtained its charter, under the laws of Illinois, all authority for the selection of directors and the management of the business passed, as of necessity under the Illinois law, to the policyholders, who were required by said law to select a majority of their directors from residents of the state. As, therefore, the members of the Board of Insurance, from whom the directors of the corporation had been selected so far as was practicable, have not had and could not have taken control of the business, although said Board has never failed to cordially approve of all acts of the corporation, the General Conference of 1908 discontinued the Board of Insurance, which had become superfluous, and substituted, by the adoption unanimously of Temporal Economy Report No. 20, an historical statement reciting these facts, in lieu of the Enabling Act. Lest this action should be misconstrued, the fact should be stated that not a single memorial containing a criticism or suggestion of change in any respect reached the General Conference of 1908 from any one of the more than 19,000 policyholders.

Officers and Directors of the National Mutual Church Insurance Company.——*President*, James B. Hobbs; *Vice-President*, H. A. Good-

rich; *Treasurer*, Henry S. Henchen; *Secretary and Manager*, Henry P. Magill; *Directors*, John R. Lindgren, H. H. C. Miller, H. C. Jennings, D.D., P. H. Swift, D.D., G. B. Johnson, Nels E. Simonsen, D.D., Charles E. Mueller, Thomas B. Morton, Bishop J. F. Berry, Charles M. Phillips, Sampson Rogers.

Special Agent—F. L. Hart.

Office—Rooms 900–912, 184 LaSalle Street, Chicago, Ill.

THE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

As a means for federating the churches of every name with the temperance societies and other organizations opposed to the beverage liquor traffic, and concentrating their forces against the common enemy, the interdenominational and "omni-partisan" Anti-Saloon League has been welcomed by Methodists throughout the land. Our ministers and laymen have from the beginning been called to many of its leading offices, and have filled them as worthy successors of John Wesley, who was a century in advance of his age as an opponent of *its* "poisoners general" and desired "a League" such as is now open to all who favor the suppression of the saloon.

The A. S. L. movement began, organically, with the organization of the A. S. L. of the District of Columbia, at Washington, D. C., June 23, 1893. Of this pioneer league, Samuel H. Walker, a layman of Waugh Church, Washington, D. C., was president the first six months, and was succeeded by Luther B. Wilson, now one of our bishops, who served two years and was followed (1896–1906) by James L. Ewin, a layman of Foundry Church. Rev. Carl G. Doney, Ph.D., then of Baltimore Conference, was the next president. He was succeeded by Dr. D. C. MacLeod, Presbyterian. The National League, now styled the A. S. L. of America, was organized at the National Capital, December 18, 1895, at a delegated convention brought about mainly through the efforts of Bishop Wilson and the D. C. League of which he was then president. Dr. A. J. Kynett encouraged the attempt, and, as chairman of the then Permanent Committee on Temperance and Prohibition of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was one of the signers of the call for the Convention at which the National League was organized. Its first national officers included four Methodists: Hiram Price, president; Luther B. Wilson, first vice-president; James L. Ewin, secretary, and A. J. Kynett, chairman of the Federative "Board of Direction."

The Ohio State League, organized in September, 1893, by Dr. Howard H. Russell, and the Leagues in many other states have demonstrated on a large scale the possibilities of inter-partisan political effort, according to the principles and methods which distinguish the movement. Prior to 1893 more or less effective state organizations against the liquor traffic existed under other names in many of the states. The oldest of these, the Connecticut Temperance Union, and some others without change of name are affiliating with the State Leagues in the National work and conforming their methods more and

more to those of the League. In Maryland and Pennsylvania the older names and methods were abandoned in favor of the new. In still other states kindred organizations have since been formed under other names. Including such affiliated bodies of other names, there were 42 State Leagues in operation at the date of the Twelfth National Anti-Saloon Convention, September, 1907. With reference to the limitations of the League, Dr. P. A. Baker (general superintendent), has said:

"The object of the League is the ultimate extinction of the liquor traffic. It does 'the possible good' while pressing on to what is yet the 'impossible best.' It has no permissive feature in its creed. It stands for prohibition for every foot of territory that existing public sentiment will capture and keep. To this end it bolts conventions, puts principle above party, and absolutely refuses to quarrel with any individual or agent that hates the liquor traffic." OFFICERS: (1907–1909) *President*, Bishop L. B. Wilson (Methodist Episcopal); *Vice Presidents*, Bishop G. M. Mathews (United Brethren), Father James M. Cleary (Roman Catholic), Rev. David J. Burrell, D.D. (Reformed), Bishop J. W. Hamilton (Methodist Episcopal), Rev. Frederick D. Power, LL.D. (Disciples), Rev. W. B. Crumpton, D.D. (Baptist), Judge Charles A. Pollock (Methodist Episcopal), Rev. Washington Gladden, D.D. (Congregational), Rev. William L. McEwan, D.D. (Presbyterian), Rev. J. C. Barr, D.D. (Southern Presbyterian), Bishop H. C. Morrison (Methodist Episcopal Church, South), Bishop William N. McVickar (Protestant Episcopal); *General Superintendent*, Rev. Purley A. Baker, D.D. (Methodist Episcopal); *Recording Secretary and Secretary of Headquarters Committee*, Rev. S. E. Nicholson (Friends); *Corresponding Secretary*, Mr. James L. Ewin (Methodist Episcopal); *Treasurer*, Mr. Foster Copeland (Presbyterian); *Assistant General Superintendent*, Rev. G. W. Young, D.D. (Methodist Episcopal Church, South); *Chairman Headquarters Committee*, Rev. Howard H. Russell, D.D. (Congregational); *President Board of Trustees*, Rev. Brooks Lawrence (Presbyterian).

CROWELL MEMORIAL HOME, AT BLAIR, NEBRASKA

THIS home has been open for the reception of guests for eighteen months, and has already made its usefulness in caring for aged Methodists fully apparent. Dr. R. L. Robinson, a superannuated member of the North Nebraska Conference, was the first person to take advantage of the Home. He has been resident therein for the past year. At the present the family in the Home numbers six besides the superintendent and his wife and the domestic. Other applications are coming in and the prospect is for the Home to soon reach its full capacity.

This Home, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Crowell, Sr., is a most magnificent property and furnishes an ideal place for aged ministers to spend the declining years of their lives. It is the joint property of the four Conferences of the state and is calculated to yield large returns in the future for any outlay of time, labor and money that

the church may put into it in order to properly equip and endow it. There is ample room on the spacious grounds for the erection of a number of cottages, which will doubtless be done as time goes by. What a chance is offered to men of means to erect a cottage in memory of some friend and endow it perpetually for the use of aged couples who have given many years to the work of the ministry.

The superintendent has been most kindly received wherever he has gone in the interests of the Home and has been able to meet all expenses of operation promptly. What we need now is larger gifts to apply on the endowment fund. Questions will be gladly answered and any information concerning the Home that is desired will be promptly given if those who are interested will write to either the superintendent or the secretary. The officers of the Home are as follows: *Chairman of Executive Committee*, Rev. William Gorst, D.D.; Omaha, Neb.; *Member of Executive Committee*, C. C. Wescott, Plattsmouth, Neb.; *Treasurer*, Dr. C. R. Mead, Blair, Neb.; *Secretary of Executive Committee*, Rev. John Grant Shick, Blair, Neb.; *Superintendent*, Rev. John Crews, Blair, Neb. Rev. J. H. Hebdon, Blair, Neb., has been employed by the executive committee to solicit for the Home within the territory of the two west Conferences of the state.

HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

In some instances we have failed to receive revised reports of these societies and are compelled to use records from the Year Book for 1908.

American.—"The American Methodist Historical Society." Chartered March 3, 1886. The awful fire of February 7 and 8, 1904, destroyed the book depository located at 118 East Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Md., where the rooms were located, and the valuable library of books, manuscripts, etc., with few exceptions, went up in the flames. It was a serious loss. The headquarters of the Society is now at the Woman's College, Baltimore, Md. *President*, J. F. Goucher, D.D., *Corresponding Secretary*, Rev. L. E. Bennett, New Windsor, Md.; *Recording Secretary and Librarian*, Rev. F. G. Porter, 2908 Parkwood Avenue, Baltimore, Md.; *Treasurer*, D. H. Carroll, D.D.

California Conference Historical Society.—This Society was organized in 1874. During this time much valuable historical data have been collected. A full set of the Conference Minutes; manuscript notes by the late Dr. Charles V. Anthony, supplementing his "Fifty Years of Methodism"; "Father" Isaac Owen's diary; some bound volumes of the California Christian Advocate; manuscript sermons; Presiding Elders' reports; church year books; a Conference photograph album; the beginnings of a library; biographical sketches; notes on the founding of Pacific Grove as a Methodist Retreat—the place where the Annual Conference has been held successively since 1886; pamphlets etc. are all carefully kept by the curator. It is proposed to make more vigorous and systematic efforts to gather in material yet accessible, but which will soon be beyond reach. Officers: *President*, James H. N. Williams, D.D., Pacific Grove; *Vice-President*, H. B. Sheldon, Pacific Grove; *Secretary*, R. E. Wenk, Fair Oaks; *Treasurer*,

Wesley Dennett, D.D., Pacific Grove; *Curator*, W. T. Mayne, San Jose; *Additional Members*, A. S. Gibbons, J. W. Ross, H. B. Heacock, D.D., L. M. Ewing.

Central New York.—The accumulations of this Society are quite extensive. These embrace a large number of manuscript records of Annual, District, and Quarterly Conferences, and of district meetings and local churches; likewise ordination parchments, class books, and stewards' books. There are numerous and valued relics, such as several articles from the first church edifice erected in the state of New York west of Albany. There are a number of old Disciplines and song books. *President*, J. E. Rhodes, Syracuse, N. Y.; *Vice-Presidents*, the district superintendents; *Secretary*, Rev. B. W. Hamilton; *Corresponding Secretary*, J. B. Foote, D.D.; *Treasurer*, Rev. M. J. Wells; *Archivist* and *Librarian*, W. Y. Foote; *Executive Committee*, J. F. Pease, F. E. Bacon, J. B. Brooks, H. B. Andrews, E. Nottingham, F. T. Keenie, D. Keppel, W. E. Brown, C. C. Wilbor.

Central Pennsylvania.—Organization, under adopted constitution, effected in 1877. Possesses many valuable papers and relics of the Fathers, church records, files of Minutes, official papers. Has large room in Williamsport Dickinson Seminary. *President*, B. F. Stevens; *Vice-President*, S. C. Swallow; *Secretary* and *Treasurer*, H. L. Jacobs, Altoona, Pa.; *Librarian*, James Hunter, Williamsport, Pa.

Cincinnati Conference.—This Society was organized in 1895 under the leadership of Dr. Asbury Lowrey. All members of the Conference are members of the Society. There are twenty-seven honorary members who have contributed valuable historical documents or books to the Society. The Society has a depository in the fireproof vaults of the Western Methodist Book Concern. The officers and directors of the Society are as follows: *President*, Rev. F. G. Mitchell, D.D.; *Vice-President*, Rev. Charles L. Conger; *Secretary*, Rev. W. H. Wehrly, Troy, O.; *Treasurer*, Rev. Charles H. Haines; *Custodian*, Rev. V. F. Brown, Middletown, O.; *Other Directors*, Rev. D. J. Starr, D.D., Rev. George Vorhis, Rev. A. B. Austin.

Colorado Conference.—The Historical Society of Colorado Conference was organized at the Conference session held in Leadville in 1881 at the suggestion of Dr. David H. Moore, who was elected first president, with Peter Winne, and L. W. Waterbury, treasurer. The Society has a small library, consisting of the published works of some of the early pioneers, files of the Conference Minutes, and some personal records of members of the Conference. The possession of the above-mentioned works of our pioneers gives a fairly clear record of the early days. Some of us propose the Conference shall take more notice of this Society and aid it in its work. *President*, Rev. J. H. Merritt, D.D.; *Vice-President*, Rev. B. T. Vincent, D.D.; *Secretary*, Frank McDonough; *Treasurer*, Joseph C. Shattuck.

Erie Conference.—So early as 1853 Conference action was taken looking to the preservation of historically valuable matter, and "in 1857 a committee was appointed to consider the advisability of organizing an Historical Society." In 1860 also Conference action was taken, but no material would seem to be left as the result of these efforts. "Perhaps the twenty-five cents membership fee placed it

beyond the resources of the ministers of the time." The present Erie Conference Historical Society was organized in 1885, Dr. A. J. Merchant being its first president. Its headquarters are in Meadville, Pa. In the library building of Allegheny College a special room has been dedicated by the trustees for the exclusive use of the Society in depositing documents and papers collected by it. *President*, Rev. W. P. Graham, Mercer, Pa.; *Vice-Presidents*, Rev. W. K. Crosby, Clarion, Pa.; Rev. T. J. Hamilton, East Brady, Pa.; Rev. O. H. Sibley, Fredonia, Pa.; Rev. J. W. Blaisdell, Brockwayville, Pa.; Rev. J. M. Bray, Westfield, N. Y.; Rev. H. G. Dodds, Meadville, Pa.; *Corresponding Secretary*, Rev. J. N. Fradenburgh, Oil City, Pa.; *Secretary*, Rev. C. W. Miner, Punxsutawney, Pa.; *Treasurer*, R. C. Smith, Girard, Pa,; *Custodian*, W. S. Mitchell, Meadville, Pa.

German Methodist Historical Society.—This Society was organized in 1900 with headquarters in Cincinnati. Every German Conference in the United States and Europe is represented in this Society. Its Museum contains a great many articles from pioneers of German Methodism, Dr. William Nast, Dr. L. S. Jacobi, Dr. L. Nippert, Rev. John Swahlen, and others.. New articles of interest are constantly added to the treasures of the Museum. It has a complete set of Der Christliche Apologete from the first edition in 1839 to the present, and also a full set of Haus und Herd, which has been published since 1871. Also, a full set of the German Discipline, and every book the Methodist Episcopal Church has published in the German language. The Museum contains manuscripts, photographs, letters, and articles of all kinds and descriptions. Also, the Minutes of all the German Conferences. The Nast Album contains about forty different photographs of the founder of German Methodism, Dr. William Nast. Several of the German Conferences have published a history of their respective Conferences, containing sketches of the pastors and their portraits, pictures of all the institutions and churches within the boundary of the Conference. The Board of Managers of the German Deaconess Motherhouse in Cincinnati has set aside a spacious room in the fire-proof building which has been erected lately, for the purposes of the Historical Society. Officers: *President*, Rev. J. H. Horst; *Secretary*, Rev. C. B. Koch; *Treasurer*, Mr. T. Heinemann; *Historian*, Rev. C. Golder; *Librarian*, Rev. John Braun. Any interested party should write to Rev. C. Golder, care of Bethesda Hospital, Cincinnati, O.

Methodist Historical Society of Nebraska.—This Society was organized in 1901, all the Conferences of the state joining in the organization. The headquarters were established at University Place, Neb., and a section of the fire-proof vault in the Nebraska Wesleyan University has been assigned for the preservation of valuable documents. *President*, Hiram Burch; *Vice-Presidents*, Nebraska Conference, P. C. Johnson; North Nebraska Conference, E. T. George; West Nebraska Conference, Joseph Buckley; Northwest Nebraska Conference, A. R. Julian; *Recording Secretary*, A. C. Crosthwaite; *Corresponding Secretary* and *Custodian*, D. Marquette; *Treasurer*, F. M. Esterbrook; *Executive Committee*, John Gallagher, O. R. Beebe, and A. L. Johnson.

The Historical Society of the City of New York.—This Society, which was originally incorporated in 1892, has been reincorporated.

Instead of being governed as heretofore by a Board of Managers, every member is made eligible to participation and vote in its quarterly and annual meetings. Among the treasures of the Society at the headquarters, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York city, are the original records of the old John Street Society, from which Dr. Wakeley compiled his last chapters, and the records of some fifteen other early churches in New York city and Brooklyn; the saddlebags of Freeborn Garrettson; a large number of photographs of early Methodist leaders, including the Goss and Carlton collections; a nearly complete set of the Disciplines; and a large collection of local church printed matter. The Society also has a comprehensive reference library. The officers of the Society, elected at the annual meeting, October 24, 1905, are: *President*, Rev. J. M. Buckley; *Secretary* and *Treasurer*, Rev. George Adams; *Vice-Presidents*, New York Conference, Fields Hermance; New York East, A. B. Sanford; Newark, H. A. Buttz; East German, Swedish, Delaware, to be elected; *Historian*, John F. Dodd; *Corresponding Secretary*, J. R. Joy; *Library Committee*, S. G. Ayers, J. R. Joy. Initiation fee, $1; annual dues, $1.

New England Methodist Historical Society.—Organized in 1880. It seeks to encourage the writing of church histories and biographical sketches of ministers and leading laymen and women of the Church. It encourages the preservation of all local church and biographical notices of our churches and men, to collect and make available all such material in its library, to celebrate all anniversary occasions in our beloved Methodism, with well-prepared sketches of the causes celebrated. We believe our work is so very valuable that it should be preserved for the instruction and inspiration of coming generations. It urges therefore the collection and preservation of all historic details with which to enrich subsequent chapters of Methodist history. During the year our accommodations have been increased; we have made an effort to complete our files of Conference Minutes and other periodicals and to make easily available to the student all these treasures. During the past year we have received 185 volumes, 1,055 pamphlets, 2,921 papers, 264 pictures, 2 manuscripts, and 1 letter. Our library contains 5,060 volumes, and many thousand pamphlets, and nearly all our church papers and other leading periodicals are in our reading room. Its location is Room 4, 36 Bromfield Street, Boston, Mass.; *President*, Rev. Lewis B. Bates, D.D., East Boston, Mass.; *Vice-Presidents*, Bishop W. F. Mallalieu, D.D., LL.D., Auburndale, Mass.; Rev. Ammi S. Ladd, D.D., Ogunquit, Me.; Rev. Daniel C. Knowles, D.D., Tilden, N. H.; Hon. W. P. Dillingham, Waterbury, Vt.; Hon. Phineas C. Lounsbury, Ridgefield, Conn.; Rev. Micah J. Talbot, Providence, R. I.; Rev. George F. Durgin, Boston, Mass.; *Recording Secretary*, Rev. William H. Meredith, D.D., Saxonville, Mass.; *Historiographer*, Rev. N. T. Whitaker, D.D., Lowell, Mass.; *Treasurer* and *Librarian*, Rev. George Whitaker, D.D., 877 Saratoga Street, East Boston, Mass.

Northern New York Conference.—The Northern New York Historical Association was organized April 16, 1873, with the following officers: Dr. I. S. Bingham, president; Rev. R. Flint, vice-president; Rev. Fred Widmer, secretary; J. F. Moffett, treasurer. The object was "to collect and to preserve such records, reminiscences and

mementoes that may be obtainable, as are connected with the rise and progress of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Central and Northern New York, and to promote and disseminate a knowledge of Methodist history by means of lectures, essays, public meetings, published transactions and such other methods as may seem best adapted to that end." Anniversaries of the society are usually held at each annual Conference, with addresses and reminiscences. Documents and historical relics are placed in charge of the custodian, Rev. S. Call, 759 Irving Ave., Syracuse, N. Y. The other officers are: *President*, Rev. Harlow Skeel; *Secretary* and *Treasurer*, Rev. C. E. Dorr, Ogdensburg, N. Y., R. F. D.; *Custodian*, Rev. Samuel Call, Syracuse, N. Y.

Ohio.—The "Ohio Historical Society," located at Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, O., is "without change in purpose and possessions." The "Western Methodist Historical Society" was organized in 1839. Twenty years later, in 1859, it was merged into the "Ohio Historical Society," formed at Delaware, O., and the university became the custodian of its possessions. The Ohio Conferences have sought to secure the history of their individual charges, and to place the results in the keeping of the Society. Besides these sketches, there have been collected a great number of bound volumes of the church papers and magazines, many historical and semicentennial addresses, pamphlets, and carefully prepared reminiscences, which are of great and increasing value. *Librarian*, Professor R. B. Miller, Ph.D.; *Secretary*, Professor W. F. Whitlock, D.D., Delaware, O.

Ohio Conference.—The officers of this Society are as follows: *President*, Rev. John W. Dillen, Portsmouth, O.; *Vice-President*, Rev. Isaac Mackey, Columbus, O.; *Secretary* and *Treasurer*, Rev. A. A. Sayre, Westerville, O. To preach the Historical Sermon in September, 1909, the Rev. Dr. Isaac Crook of Spokane, Wash. The address made at the Conference in 1908 was by the Rev. Dr. Isaac F. King, of Columbus, O.

Philadelphia Conference.—This Historical Society was organized April 22, 1867. The first meeting was held May 3 following, and shortly thereafter articles of incorporation were secured under the title of "The Historical Society of the Philadelphia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church." The Society has 1,000 volumes relating to Methodist history, 500 volumes of periodicals, reports of 150 local churches, 400 portraits and relics, a miscellaneous library of 1,000 volumes and a large number of valuable pamphlets. Regular meetings are held monthly. Fifteen ministers and eighteen laymen constitute the Board of Directors, one third being chosen yearly. Officers are elected at the April meeting. The headquarters of the Society are at 1018 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa. *President*, Rev. Amos Johnson; *Treasurer*, John I. McConnell; *Recording Secretary* and *Librarian*, Rev. S. G. Grove, Tacony, Philadelphia, Pa.; *Corresponding Secretary*, Rev. C. Hudson.

Troy Conference.—This Society was organized in 1867, and has become one of the most valuable institutions of the Conference. The Rev. Bostwick Hawley, D.D., its president from 1867 to 1900, gave careful attention to its affairs, and contributed much to its success.

The Rev. Samuel McKean, D.D., president from 1900 to the present time and vice-president under Dr. Hawley, has been active in behalf of its interests. Its archives are in the chapel of State Street Church, Troy, N. Y., the officers of this church having generously furnished a commodious room for this purpose. The deposits include the General Minutes, General Conference Journals, Minutes of Troy Conference, Disciplines, biographies, autobiographies, histories of churches, church records, sermons, essays, periodicals, ordination parchments of the pioneer preachers, portraits, views of churches and literary institutions, curios, and historic relics, all of which are catalogued and accessible for ready reference. The annual meeting is held in Troy on the first Monday morning of March, and the semi-annual meeting in Albany on the first Monday morning of October. At these meetings historical and biographical papers are read. Officers: *President*, Samuel McKean, D.D., Troy, N. Y.; *Vice-President*, William H. Hughes, D.D., Mechanicville, N. Y.; *Corresponding Secretary*, Rev. J. Clark Simmons, Troy, N. Y.; *Recording Secretary*, Rev. J. H. Clark, Cohoes, N. Y.; *Treasurer*, Rev. W. H. Flouton, Watervliet, N. Y.; *Custodian*, T. A. Griffin, D.D., Troy, N. Y.

Wyoming Conference.—This prosperous Society has nothing new to report. Among its cherished relics are the following: Saddle, Bible, hymnal of J. Hartwell; valise of G. Blakeslee; ordination parchments of C. L. Rice; General Minutes of 1811 and 1860, by S. F. Wright; General Minutes of 1798–1804, by H. C. McDermott; Wyoming Conference group, by George Comfort; Discipline of 1845, by I. C. Estes; Conference picture, 1901, by M. B. Foster; books and Methodist magazines, 1818–28, of King Elwell, by J. C. Leacock; South's Sermons, by P. F. Mead; communication from Theodore Roosevelt concerning W. H. Olin, D.D., by M. S. Hard; photograph of house in Salem, Pa., where Asbury preached, by E. A. Quimby; love-feast tickets, by T. Harroun. Six bound volumes of Wyoming Conference Minutes, covering fifty years, together with four years of the old Oneida Conference, were received as the gift of Rev. C. V. Arnold. The headquarters of the Society are at Nelson Memorial Hall, Wyoming Seminary, Kingston, Pa. The officers are: *President*, James Benninger; *Vice-Presidents*, District Superintendents; *Recording Secretary*, H. C. McDermott; *Corresponding Secretary*, A. R. Burke; *Treasurer*, G. H. Prentice; *Librarian*, L. L. Sprague; *Archivist*, J. W. Nicholson.

Wyoming Mission.—For upward of fifteen years Rev. J. H. Gillespie, of Sheridan, Wyo., has been serving as president of the Wyoming Mission Historical Society. He is a member of the Saint Louis Conference. President Gillespie informs us that he has "more or less complete historical sketches of 17 pastoral charges in Wyoming Mission, giving in the main the very early history, such as the date of organization, when and by whom the churches and parsonages were built." In addition to the above he has gotten out this year a photograph of the preachers, bishops and visitors of 1889, also of 1908, 44 in all, in one group. He hopes to publish next year a part of the Wyoming History in the Conference Minutes. He has been appointed a member of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition and is requested to furnish a History of Wyoming Methodism, for the financial benefit of the Methodist headquarters and exhibit at Seattle.

WISSIKA MISSION, LIBERIA

THE AFRICA DIAMOND JUBILEE

THE Africa Diamond Jubilee is in commemoration of the completion of seventy-five years of missionary work of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Africa. In March, 1833, Melville B. Cox, the first foreign missionary of the Methodist Episcopal Church, reached Africa.

This was the commencement of the work of our church in that vast continent. The first 52 years of missionary labor were confined practically to Liberia, and they were filled with discouragements. Missionary after missionary fell victim to the climate. Troubles arose with the Government. There was little progress made in reaching the new tribes and the work was confined to the coast. There were times when the Board seriously considered abandoning the work, but recalling the words of Cox, "Let a thousand fall before Africa be given up," the field was held, although there were long periods when no white missionary of the Methodist Episcopal Church was on the soil of the Dark Continent.

The second period of Methodist mission work in Africa and the real beginning of aggressive forward movement was in 1885. This forward movement was inaugurated by Doctor Taylor, after his election as bishop of Africa. Under his heroic self-sacrifice new interest was aroused in the evangelization of Africa. Whereas there had been only 32 missionaries who had gone to Liberia in the 52 years from 1833 to 1885, during the following ten years 88 persons were sent to Liberia under Bishop Taylor's self-supporting plan, and 50 stations were opened. He also opened work in Angola, and in the Congo. The Congo Mission Conference was recognized in 1892 by the General Conference. While the self-supporting policy had to be given up and many of the stations finally abandoned, Bishop Taylor's work remained a valuable asset.

The third period of African missionary work was inaugurated by the General Conference in 1896. This Conference assumed responsibility for the foreign self-supporting missions of Bishop Taylor, and elected Dr. J. C. Hartzell bishop for Africa. The West Africa Mission Conference was formed from the work in Angola in June, 1897, and in 1901, on the authorization of the General Conference of 1900, the East Central Africa Conference was formally opened. This latter was composed of the work of a Mr. Richards, formerly of the American Board at Inhambane in Portuguese East Africa, and a new work in British Rhodesia. In 1904 the work was further augmented by the election of Dr. I. B. Scott as bishop of Liberia.

Our work in Africa has been greatly strengthened and enlarged under Bishop Hartzell's and Bishop Scott's administrations, and is represented today by 3 Conferences, 16 mission stations, 63 missionaries. There are 6,932 members and probationers, 4,089 students in schools, 3 great industrial school centers, and 3 mission presses.

Seventy-five years ago when the first Methodist missionary went to Africa it was indeed the Dark Continent. The great period of modern exploration had just begun. A little was known about the coast of Africa but any map of the vast interior was nothing more than an imaginary cartoon. The great period of exploration has been contemporaneous with Methodist missionary work. During the time of

Methodist missionary labor in the continent, the vast interior has been explored, until the whole continent is known. More than this, by the Berlin Conference of 1885 and the succeeding treaties, foreign governments are in control of four fifths of Africa and their influence is felt in the remainder. Law and order have succeeded the tribal fights. The slave trade has been abolished. Steamers have been placed on the rivers and lakes. Railroads are being built with great rapidity. The climatic difficulties have been partly solved. Modern civilization has come to the Dark Continent. Every part of Africa is accessible in safety to the missionary. This brings a great opportunity and a great responsibility.

In order to meet the strategic opportunity to introduce Christianity at the time when western nations are introducing civilization, and in order fittingly to commemorate the heroism of the missionaries of the Methodist Episcopal Church during these 75 years of work, the Board of Foreign Missions and the Board of Bishops have authorized the Africa Diamond Jubilee campaign, and the trumpet call to the Church for $300,000 for a forward movement in Africa.

A commission of 100 has been formed to carry on the campaign of the Africa Diamond Jubilee. This Africa Diamond Jubilee Commission has an Executive Committee of 7 at New York, and an Executive Committee of 7 at New Orleans. The officers of the Commission are: *Chairman*, Bishop J. C. Hartzell; *Vice-Chairman*, Bishop I. B. Scott; *Secretary*, Rev. Ralph Welles Keeler; *Treasurer*, Dr. Homer Eaton. The office of the Commission is 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, where information and literature on Africa may be obtained. The accompanying cut shows Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Price seated, and native workers standing on either side.

CLARK MEMORIAL HOME FOR CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

THIS Home is a new departure for the care of our superannuates. If not the only institution of its kind in the Methodist Episcopal Church, it may fairly be claimed that it is the one first established.

The magnificent property, situated in the best residence portion of the city of Grand Rapids, Mich., and valued at $50,000, is the gift of Mr. M. J. Clark and wife for the benefit of the Conference Claimants of Michigan Conference. The three-story mansion and twenty acres of excellent land constitute an almost ideal home for superannuates. The *initial* year has been a very prosperous one. We had 15 inmates in the last Conference year, besides superintendent, matron, and other help. A beautiful park of five acres has been laid out and is being improved. The institution is very popular; applications are in already far beyond our capacity to accommodate. The plan of cottage buildings and enlargement of the Home proper makes possible expansion beyond all our needs. Two cottages have been built. The new chapel was completed and dedicated August 30, 1908. Although primarily a home for Conference Claimants, the charter provides for the admission of lay members of the Methodist Episcopal Church when circumstances admit of it. An endowment sufficient to supplement such payments

as the claimants can make for their maintenance has been commenced, and will be pushed to a conclusion as rapidly as possible. During the year all obligations have been met. Officers: *Agent*, Rev. James Hamilton, field secretary of Michigan Conference, Grand Rapids, Mich.; *Superintendent*, Rev. J. P. Durham, Grand Rapids, Mich.

CHILDREN'S INSTITUTIONS

No philanthropic work is more noble and Christlike than that of providing for the support and training of orphaned and destitute children. We append a catalogue of these institutions supported by our Church.

Central Wesleyan Orphan Asylum, Warrenton, Mo.—Founded in 1864; owns a farm of 360 acres, partly worked by the boys. Value of property, $46,500, no debt. Has cared for 457 inmates. Number of inmates, 84. English and German are taught. Receipts last year, $8,813.22; expenses for household, $8,491.71; paid for building and repairs, $1,300. Trustees, 15—Saint Louis German Conference, 8; West German, 4; Northern German, Northwest German, and Southern German, 1 each. Miss Emma Schlabach has charge of the Kindergarten Department. We have quite a number of small children who attend the kindergarten. As we depend mainly upon the good will of the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we should be very thankful for any gift toward this good cause. *President*, Rev. J. G. Leist; *Secretary*, Rev. J. Gisler; *Superintendent*, Rev. F. H. Wippermann, Warrenton, Mo.; *Treasurer*, H. H. Jacoby; *Teachers*, Miss Louise Voshall, Miss Lulu Thee, and Miss Emma Schlabach.

Chaddock Boys' Home and School, Quincy, Ill.—Chaddock College in 1900 was changed to a preparatory school for boys under the management of deaconesses of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The institution furnishes a Christian home and school for boys outside the Roman Church. Twenty-two workers are engaged, nine of them being deaconesses. Military and manual training are special features of the school. There was an attendance last year of 135 from eighteen different states. The institution is prosperous and growing in popular favor. The officers of the Executive Committee are: *President*, Rev. J. F. Wohlfarth; *Secretary*, H. B. Dines; *Treasurer*, W. T. Dwire; *Superintendent* and *Deaconess in Charge*, Miss Eleanor Tobie.

Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage, Urbana, Ill.—Judge J. O. Cunningham and wife gave this beautiful Home and fifteen acres of ground to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to be used as a Deaconess Home and Orphanage. It has just closed its twelfth year of successful work. During this time six rooms have been added to the building, and the Orphanage is now in need of more room. Seventy-five children have been in the Home during the past year. Four deaconesses, including the school teacher and kindergartner, are in charge of the children; the older girls are taught to sew and to do all kinds of housework. The boys help the farmer and are taught to be useful in many ways. The children attend church and Sunday school; a weekly prayer meeting and a Junior League are held, which bear fruits in the conversion of many of the children, who

become earnest Christians; last year eleven united with the church. Ninety-two children have been cared for this year; 12 have been placed in homes; present number, 50. *Chairman of Board of Managers*, Mrs. A. W. Conklin; *Superintendent*, William A. Davis; *Matron*, Mary S. Davis.

Elizabeth A. Bradley Children's Home, Hulton, Pa.—This Home was presented, April 24, 1903, to the Incorporated Woman's Home Missionary Society, by Miss Belle Bradley, Mrs. P. D. Perchment, and Mrs. Edward H. Utley, as a memorial to their mother, Mrs. Elizabeth A. Bradley, of Pittsburg, Pa. The Home is valued at $25,000; connected with it are seven acres of fertile land. The donors refitted and furnished the house in a complete and substantial way and gave it into the control of the Woman's Home Missionary Society with an unencumbered title, upon the one condition that an endowment fund of $15,000 be raised before the Home should be opened. This was secured and the Home was formally opened and dedicated on May 29, 1905. The management of the Home is in the hands of a Board of twenty-six managers, consisting of six ministers, elected by the Pittsburg Annual Conference, four laymen, sixteen women, elected by the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The Home accommodates at present twenty-two children between the ages of four and eight years, and is maintained at a cost of about five thousand dollars per year. Nearly one thousand of this amount is provided for by the income from the endowment fund, and the remaining four thousand is secured by the contributions of the managers and the funds solicited by them throughout the churches and auxiliaries of the Conference. Several children in the Home have guardians or friends who contribute in a small way toward their support. The children are nearly all old enough to attend the day school and a Sabbath school of the Methodist Episcopal church nearby. They are in charge of a matron, who attends to their physical wants and gives them religious instruction as well. A competent physician is responsible for the health of the children, examining them carefully before they are admitted. It has been the object of the donors to make this a *real* home and as unlike an institution as it is possible to make it. *President*, Daniel Dorchester, Jr., D.D.; *Vice-President*, A. M. Schoyer; *Corresponding Secretary*, Mrs. R. W. Beatty, 1214 Wood Street, Wilkinsburg, Pa.; *Recording Secretary*, Mrs. Frederick McKee; *Treasurer*, W. S. Horner, Room 1112, Frick Building, Pittsburg, Pa.; *Superintendent*, Mrs. George Eyster.

Five Points Mission.—This Mission, pioneer of its kind, is located at 63 Park Street, New York city. It was organized in May, 1850, by the New York Ladies' Home Missionary Society, and is now known as the Five Points Mission, "Old Brewery," New York. It was incorporated in 1856. Its principal work is the education and care of extremely poor children. Its beneficiaries number more than 60,000 children, representing many nationalities. On the site of the "Old Brewery" the second Mission Building was erected in 1894 at a cost of $130,000. The wisdom of placing a mortgage of $35,000 on the building has been proven by the fact that every room is now in use. Of this mortgage, $16,000 have been paid, reducing it to $19,000. In addition to the day school, with an average attendance last year of 454, there are regular church and Sunday school services, Epworth League, Junior League, and, during the week, a kindergarten, sewing

school, boys' club, girls' club, dressmaking class, chair-caning, hammock and basket-making classes, also classes in millinery and dressmaking, shoemaking and cooking. Besides there are illustrated lectures by the Board of Education, and classes to instruct adult Italians in English. The shoe, fresh-air and dinner clubs are most important features. With the change in population, an Italian work under the auspices of the New York City Church Extension Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church was organized ten years ago and has grown to large proportions. There are a regular Italian minister and deaconess, with a membership of over 150. This church maintains regular Sunday services, prayer meeting, mothers' meeting, and various departments of a successful, well-organized church. The total cash expenditure of last year was $24,854.64. Large contributions of clothing, produce, etc., which are constantly needed, are received from time to time. The Board of Managers is elected annually from the Methodist Episcopal churches of New York and vicinity. The teachers of the school represent several religious denominations. *President*, Mrs. F. Holsten, 686 Greene Avenue, Brooklyn; *Treasurer*, Mrs. W. H. Rogers, 225 West Twenty-second Street, New York city; *Corresponding Secretary*, Miss Mary Reid Lavery; *Financial Agent*, Rev. E. H. Todd; *Superintendent*, Rev. F. J. Belcher, D.D., 63 Park Street, New York city.

Fred Finch Orphanage, Fruitvale, Cal.—Incorporated September 28, 1891. Is now caring for 130 children. A hospital and kindergarten render the work of caring for these wards especially efficient. The Home is equipped with horses, dairy, poultry yards, orchard, vegetable and flower gardens, laundry and wood yard, where the boys are trained in all these branches, while the girls learn housekeeping, sewing, etc. Twelve acres of land. Value of the property, $40,000. The officers are the same as those of the San Francisco McKinley Orphanage, each institution having its own Board of Directors. *President*, H. B. Heacock, D.D.; *Superintendent*, W. C. Damon; *Secretary*, Miss E. Calender.

German Methodist Orphan Asylum, Berea, O.—This Home celebrated this year its forty-third anniversary; it is under the special supervision of the Central German Conference, and controlled by a Board of Trustees and Visiting Committees appointed by the several patronizing German Conferences; 607 orphans and half orphans, coming from German Methodist congregations, have been educated and otherwise cared for; 105 were in the Home when the year closed in June. A number have gone out in places and homes for useful occupations; others came in to fill the vacant places. The Home is a beautiful three-story structure, besides basement and attic, built of Berea sandstone in cross form, giving sunlight and best of ventilation to every room. It has 45 acres of good land, on which all needed vegetables are raised, and healthy exercise is furnished for boys between school hours. Estimated worth, $100,000, free of debt. Endowment fund, $40,000. It is supported by free-will gifts from congregations and individuals. On the east side of the Home a manual training school is being erected by Mrs. Mary A. Ott, of Louisville, Ky., in memory of her departed husband and daughter—a power house also. It has three departments—manual training, gymnasium, and swimming pool. The dimensions are 72 x 54 feet and 75 feet high.

President, Rev. John H. Horst, D.D.; *Secretary*, Mr. Charles E. Mueller; *Superintendent*, Rev. George Kaletsch; *Matron*, Mrs. Selma S. Kaletsch.

Kelso Home, Baltimore, Md.—This Home was established and incorporated in 1873, being the gift of the late Thomas Kelso. Value of the property, $50,000; endowment, $85,000. Only orphan girls of the Methodist Episcopal Church are received. Number of girls in the Home, 46. The institution is in charge of a superintendent, a sewing teacher, and a housekeeper. The children attend the public school until fifteen years of age, and are then given manual training until eighteen years of age, when they leave the Home. The work of the institution is attracting widespread attention by reason of the careful and effective training given the girls. There is a pressing need for a larger endowment to take care of the orphaned ones knocking at our door. It is situated in Forest Park, in the suburbs of Baltimore, amid the best surroundings. *Trustees*, Henry S. Dulaney, John T. Stone, W. A. Leitch, Walter Kirwan, A. Roszell Cathcart, James E. Ingram, C. M. Hoult; *President*, (vacant); *Secretary*, W. A. Leitch; *Treasurer*, Walter Kirwan.

Methodist Deaconess Orphanage, Lake Bluff, Ill.—Six buildings are now in use; three buildings, the gift of Mrs. Mary Marilla Hobbs; Wadsworth Cottage, the gift of N. W. Harris; the Jesse Constance Cottage, remodeled and enlarged for hospital purposes by Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Swift; and the school building given by William Deering.

During the last year 247 children have been sheltered, 325 applications have been received, 123 of which were granted. Twenty-three have been placed in Christian homes. Present number of inmates, 135. Running expenses for past twelve months, $13,342.89; value of property, $60,000.

Fifteen deaconesses, including four teachers, have charge of the children. *President*, J. B. Hobbs; *Vice-President and Treasurer of Endowment Fund*, J. A. Burhans; *Secretary*, George W. York; *Superintendent and Treasurer*, Lucy J. Judson; *Auditor*, H. P. Magill.

Methodist Episcopal Orphanage, Philadelphia, Pa.—This institution is located on Monument Avenue, east of Belmont, on a beautiful tract of twenty acres of ground adjoining Fairmount Park. The late Mrs. Bishop Simpson organized it on December 2, 1878. On October 13, 1904, the twenty-fifth anniversary was observed. It has become a beneficiary under the sustained will of the late Colonel Joseph Bennett, of Philadelphia, which assures it a yearly income of $25,000. It was thought best to use an accumulated income from our bequest in permanent improvements. These improvements, in addition to substantial alterations to the main building, include three new buildings —a new cottage, an infirmary, a new power house—and in September, 1908, have been added men's quarters, for the help employed, three light, airy sleeping rooms, a sitting room and bath, all heated by steam from the main plant and lighted by electricity. These improvements are now completed and the Orphanage is better equipped than ever before, and better able to care for a larger number of children. The cottage system for the care of the larger girls and boys has been adopted. Industrial training has been inaugurated. A successful kindergarten is maintained. It is in charge of a board of

lady managers from the different Methodist churches in the city. At the exercises of "Founder's Day," in October, 1905, a life-size portrait of Mrs. Bishop Simpson was unveiled and presented to the institution. At the same anniversary in 1906 a brass tablet in memory of Colonel Joseph Bennett, the generous benefactor of the Orphanage, was also presented. *President*, Mrs. C. W. Buoy; *Recording Secretary*, Mrs. C. F. Bonsall; *Corresponding Secretary*, Miss B. D. Simons, 1507 Oxford Street, Philadelphia, Pa.; *Treasurer*, Mrs. D. Hartman, 2008 Ontario Street, Tioga, Pa.

Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Neb.—This Orphanage was founded and is owned and supported by the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. It was opened in 1891. During the first year over forty children were given shelter and support in "York Farm Cottage." During the seventeen years of its work and growth over one hundred children annually have been supported. The Home is situated about one mile from the business center of the city. Its real estate consists of a 160-acre farm, adjoining the city, and 12 acres within the city limits, the latter being separated from the farm by a public road. There are four buildings as follows: "York Farm Cottage," in which are the kitchen, dining rooms, laundry, the older boys' dormitory, and the reading room; "Memorial Hall," the main building, completed in 1895 at a cost of $15,000—here are the school rooms, children's play rooms, reception hall, dormitories for fifty girls and twenty small boys and rooms for most of the helpers; "Stare Retreat," a small cottage used for the kindergarten; and "Randal Memorial Hospital," a new hospital, taking the place of the little cottage hospital that served us until two years ago. It has nine rooms, a good bath, with hot water, and all the modern conveniences. The Home school is conducted in harmony with the public school curriculum and the pupils advanced to the seventh grade, at which time they enter the city public schools. Our industries are, for the girls, practical domestic economy, sewing and fancy needlework; they take quite an interest and pleasure in gardening. For boys, farm and garden, caring for the stock and poultry. In the beginning the Home plant was worth $10,000; it is now worth approximately $50,000 in real estate and improvements. *Superintendent*, Burwell Spurlock, York, Neb.; *Matron*, Miss Barbara Jennings; *Chairman of Mothers' Jewels Home Committee*, Mrs. Annie Hobbs Woodcock.

Saint Christopher's Home, Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.—This Home, founded in New York in 1881, and incorporated in 1885 as a Methodist Episcopal Home for boys and girls, occupies an unencumbered property of ten acres. Its buildings are the Agnes Kennedy House, which is used as an administration building and residence for the superintendent; the Sparks Cottage; the Mabel R. Sherman Cottages for girls; the Lounsbury and the Jane E. Kelemen Cottages for boys; the Cornell Cottage and the Epworth League Hospital; Andrews Hall, containing schoolrooms, library, and chapel; the gymnasium, the steam laundry, and the gardener's cottage. The Home in 1908 sheltered 125 children. One fourth of the number are supported by permanent funds; for the care of three fourths the Home is dependent upon annual contributions. Boys and girls between two and ten years of age, without relatives or friends to provide for them, on full legal surrender, are admitted to the Home, girls

remaining until they are eighteen years of age, unless adopted in suitable homes. Three schools are maintained, where the children receive kindergarten, primary, and grammar school instruction; the girls are taught housekeeping and sewing, the boys gardening and carpentry. The Home employs the cottage system, now generally advocated by specialists in the care of dependent children. Each cottage contains 25 boys or girls, who perform part of the domestic work, under the direction of a house-mother, the boys proving as efficient as the girls in bread-making and other household tasks. One hundred and twenty-five dollars a year provides the support of a child. The Home needs larger endowments and more numerous voluntary gifts to meet its annual expenses and secure greater efficiency in the industrial branches. The results of its work in the life and character of the children who have received its training indicate that such gifts are well invested. *President*, Mrs. Anderson Fowler; *Honorary Vice-President*, Mrs. J. B. Cornell; *Vice-Presidents*, Mrs. W. H. Laird, Mrs. R. S. Ransom, Mrs. F. Mason North; *Receiving Treasurer*, Miss Ellen McLean, 7 East Sixty-third Street, New York city; *Disbursing Treasurer*, Mrs. V. K. McElhinney; *Treasurer of Permanent Funds*, Mrs. John C. Clark; *Recording Secretary*, Mrs. H. Winter Davis; *Corresponding Secretary*, Mrs. E. S. Hewitt, 784 Park Avenue, New York city; *Chairman of Committee on Admission of Children*, Mrs. J. H. Littell, 28 West Fiftieth Street, New York city.

The McKinley Orphanage, San Francisco, Cal.—This Orphanage, situated in San Francisco, is one of the two orphanages under the control of the Methodist Episcopal Church in California. It was incorporated October 22, 1897, and has cared for over 300 children, of whom girls have formed the larger part. The Orphanage proper contains 17 rooms, 2 bathrooms, a large dormitory capable of accommodating 50 children, a hospital, and a children's playroom. Ample grounds surround the building. The total value of the property is about $14,000. About seventy children are being cared for at the Orphanage at the present time. The older girls are taught to sew, darn, and mend, and also to do all kinds of housework. The scholarship and deportment of the children at school are all that can be desired. A kindergarten is conducted at the Home for those who are too small to attend school. The general supervision of the institution is conducted by Mrs. I. J. Truman, chairman of the House and Table Committee. The Orphanage is under the management of a Board of Directors, and is also united with the Fred Finch Orphanage under a joint board. *President*, Rev. H. B. Heacock, D.D.; *Vice-Presidents*, J. F. Forderer, Rev. W. S. Matthew, D.D., Rev. S. J. Carroll; *Recording Secretary*, Mrs. W. W. Duncan; *Corresponding Secretary*, Miss Emma J. Dornin, 3538 Twenty-first Street, San Francisco, Cal.; *Treasurer*, I. J. Truman; *Superintendent Home Finding Department*, Rev. John Coyle, D.D.; *Matron*, Mrs. L. R. Courneen.

New England Deaconess Children's Home and Fresh Air Work.—A property consisting of 25 acres near Haverhill, Massachusetts, provided with large house and outbuildings completely equipped for Fresh Air Work, is held by the donors for the New England Deaconess Association. It is as well used for a temporary home for children where 20 children were sheltered in 1907. 988 one week vacations were given at this farm and the homeless children from the Chelsea fire were cared

for. The value of the property is about $7,500. *Superintendent*, Miss Mary Anna Taggart, 691–93 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston.

Watts de Peyster Hospital and Home for Invalid Children, Verbank, N. Y.—This institution is unique in Methodism. It takes delicate and invalid children from the slums of the great cities and gives them, in many instances, their first glimpse of country life, at the same time furnishing them with proper food and medicine; restores them to health, educates them, and stamps upon them religious and elevating influences. The Home has accommodation for fifty children, who are supported mainly by voluntary contributions. Ten dollars a month supports a child in the Home. The work is under the entire charge of deaconesses. *Superintendent*, Florence Mahin.

The Watts de Peyster Home and School for Girls, Tivoli, N. Y.—This Home is the property of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Its object is to give to orphans, half orphans and friendless girls Christian, educational and industrial advantages. Girls are admitted between the ages of four and thirteen, and indentured until eighteen years old. We are entering upon our fifteenth year, and we are thankful to see large and satisfactory results. Our new "Fisk Hospital," named for our honored National President *emeritus* has already been a blessing. We hope for new friends, and a greater opportunity in this particular work. *Chairman of Executive Committee*, Mrs. Frank Norton, 1 West 81st Street, New York city; *Vice-Chairman*, Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, 175 West 58th Street, New York city; *Secretary*, Mrs. S. C. Pullman, 1032 Park Avenue, New York city; *Treasurer*, Mrs. Charles Olney, 134 West 130th Street, New York city; *Superintendent*, Miss A. Schreder, Madalin Post Office, Tivoli, New York.

HOSPITALS

THESE institutions are everywhere bearing eloquent testimony to the beneficent influence of that system of religion of which Christ was the founder. The following are under the fostering care of the Methodist Episcopal Church:

Asbury and Rebecca Methodist Episcopal Deaconess Hospital and Home, Minneapolis, Minn.—Founded September 1, 1892, with the training school for nurses and in connection with a Deaconess Home. The Hospital building is owned by a corporation of not less than 31 nor more than 71 directors, divided into two Conference classes of 7 each, and three board classes of 10 each. Value of the portion of the building now completed with furnishings, $192,000. There are beds for 103 patients, and 18 deaconesses, and 35 nurses are connected with the work in Hospital and Home. During the year 1907, 1,550 patients were cared for in beds, 244 free treatments were given in the dispensary, and 556 ambulance calls were answered. Four fifths of the patients are from 25 denominations, about one fifth professing no religion; one half are foreigners, representing 29 different nationalities. Poor persons from country districts lacking hospital facilities receive the preference. One third of the building is at present completed. The quarterly publication is the Hospital and Home

Messenger. *President*, P. D. Boutell; *First Vice-President*, H. B. Willis; *Second Vice-President*, P. G. Hanson; *Secretary*, Prof. E. F. Mearkle; *Treasurer*, Levi Longfellow; *Chairman of Deaconess Home Committee*, made vacant by death of Mrs. J. W. Joyce; *Superintendent of Hospital*, Mrs. S. H. Knight; *Superintendent of Deaconess Home and Assistant Superintendent of Hospital*, Sybil C. Palmer; *Superintending Nurse*, Alice L. Smith.

Bethany Hospital and Deaconess Home, Brooklyn, N. Y.—This institution was organized in 1894 and in 1902 it erected a beautiful hospital at the corner of Saint Nicholas Avenue and Bleecker Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. Adjoining the Hospital a Deaconess Home was erected 1906 and the property now is valued at $85,000, with an indebtedness of $26,000. The total income last year was $15,308. The Hospital has room for 45 patients. It is furnished with all modern appliances and is considered one of the best equipped small hospitals in the East. Fourteen deaconesses are connected with the institution. Last year 408 patients were treated in the hospital and 316 operations performed, besides the deaconesses having nursed in 19 different families. The Bethany Society has a fine Rest Home at Jeffersonville, Sullivan County, N. Y. The institution has no endowment fund, but the income exceeds the expenses, although the management is doing a great deal of charity work. *President*, Rev. John Lange; *Secretary*, Rev. J. J. Messmer; *Treasurer*, Rev. H. H. Heck; *President of the Medical Staff*, Dr. Philip Manecke; *Oberin* (Head Deaconess), Miss Myrtha Binder.

Bethesda Hospital and German Methodist Deaconess Home, Cincinnati, O.—Bethesda Hospital is connected with the German Methodist Deaconess Motherhouse in Cincinnati, and here all the deaconesses who enter the Motherhouse, receive their nurse training. The institution was founded in 1896, and Bethesda Hospital was opened two years later. Both institutions are managed by the same Board. They stand side by side in Avondale, one of the finest suburbs of Cincinnati. The location is three hundred feet above the Ohio River, on Reading Road. The Hospital has sixty rooms, two operating-rooms, two wards, and one X-Ray room. The Deaconess Home, next door, has thirty-five rooms, a chapel, and a fine library. At present, a new fire-proof power-house and laundry is being erected in the rear of the Hospital at a cost of $30,000. Near the Hospital stands the Maternity Hospital, which has been enlarged by adding another building, which is to be used as an annex. All the buildings are heated and lighted from the power-house. The property is valued at $175,000. About one fourth of the cases treated in the Hospital last year were charity cases. Seventy-one deaconesses are connected with the Motherhouse, which has five branches: in Chicago, Ill., Milwaukee, Wis., Kansas City, Kan., Saint Paul, Minn., and La Crosse, Wis. The medical staff is composed of twenty-five physicians. Last year, seven hundred and twenty-five patients were treated in the Hospital and three hundred and twenty-eight operations took place. Ninety-one were cared for in the Maternity Hospital. Nursing was done outside of the Hospital in forty-five families. The income and disbursements of the Institution amounted to $59,045.74. During the last year, the Hospital received quite an addition in the gift of "Scarlet Oaks," a beautiful property of forty-five acres in one

of the suburbs of Cincinnati. The property is valued at $100,000. On one of the hills of these grounds, stands a beautiful castle of thirty-five rooms, which at present is being converted into a Home for Convalescents. It will be an Annex to Bethesda Hospital, and it is expected to erect other institutions on the grounds. The donor, Mr. E. H. Huenefeld, has been a member of the Board of Managers since the organization of the institution. The former treasurer of the institution, Mr. John Kolbe, who has lately gone to his reward, presented to the Board a year ago, a beautiful Rest Home, with fifteen acres of ground. In honor of the wife of the donor, the Home is called "The Gertrude Kolbe Rest Home." *President of the Medical Staff*, Dr. S. R. Geiser; *President of the Board of Trustees*, Rev. C. Golder, D.D.; *Secretary*, D. B. Meyer; *Treasurer*, E. H. Huenefeld; *Superintendent*, Miss Louise Golder.

Christ's Hospital, Cincinnati, O.—This splendid institution, under the management of the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home Association, is doing the greatest work of the kind in the Central West. The Hospital alone is of inestimable value as an evangelizing agency, independent of the Deaconess Home and Missionary Training School which are included in the plant. The Hospital was founded in September, 1889. Its growth has been unprecedented. It is located on Mount Auburn, a most favorable situation, and surrounded by large and ample grounds. Two cottages and a beautiful memorial nurses' Home are located west and south of the Hospital building; a splendidly equipped laundry and power-house just north. All the buildings are heated and lighted from the power-house.

The Hospital accommodates one hundred and twenty patients, has thirty-eight rooms and five large wards; two operating rooms, a well equipped delivery room; also an X-Ray room. An able corps of physicians and surgeons are upon its staff. The Nurses' Training School has a three years' course, and is open to all Christian women who meet the requirements. Sixty young women are in training; fourteen of whom are deaconesses. Each department of the work also is supervised by deaconesses, making twenty-two in all.

The Ladies' Aid Society, composed of a large membership from all the Methodist Churches in and near Cincinnati, do a great work in assisting in the supply of linen for the Hospital.

The devastated grounds and hillside surrounding the Hospital were put in splendid condition last year at a cost of several thousand dollars. 1,263 patients were treated during the year; about one-fourth of this number were free. There were 836 operations. 11,438 patients have been cared for since the Hospital was founded. The entire property, including Home and Training School, is valued at $600,000, and is free of debt. Further details will be found under the "Summary of Deaconess Institutions." *President*, Bishop David H. Moore, D.D.; *First Vice-President*, J. N. Gamble; *Financial Secretary*, W. A. Robinson, D.D.; *Recording Secretary*, Mrs. Katherine C. Mullikin; *Treasurer*, William E. Stark; *Superintendent*, Miss Alice Thatcher; *Medical Director*, J. C. Oliver, M.D.

Deaconess Hospital in Nuernberg, Germany.—This Hospital is connected with the Deaconess Motherhouse of the Martha Maria Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Germany. It is located on Sulzberger Strasse, in one of the best parts of the city. In this Motherhouse, the deaconesses of the Martha Maria Society receive their

training, and from here they are sent to the various Branch Homes in Cologne, Magdeburg, Munich, Stuttgart, Siegen, Heilbron, and several other cities where only one or two deaconesses are stationed, and where the Society has no property. The Society has one hundred and fifty-five deaconesses, and the income and disbursements of last year were over $60,000. The Hospital has eighty beds. It is modern in its equipment, and it stands high in the community. When two years ago a wing was erected, the mayor of the city, and representative men of the State Church took part in the dedicatory exercises. *Superintendent*, Rev. G. A. Schneider.

Deaconess Motherhouse Hospital, Frankfort on the Main.—Next to the Deaconess Hospital of our Church in Hamburg, this institution is one of the largest and best equipped Deaconess Hospitals in the Methodist Episcopal Church. It was founded in 1876, and a new Hospital was erected last year. The Deaconess Bethany Society, of our church in Germany and Switzerland, began its work in Frankfort on the Main. It has had a well equipped Deaconess Hospital, located near the center of the city, but the building has been too small, and for this reason, some years ago, a beautiful site was purchased in one of the suburbs near a city park, at a cost of $53,000, and the new building is fire-proof, and was erected at a cost of $150,000. In this Institution there are fifty deaconesses employed, and in addition to the Hospital work, the deaconesses have nursed in one hundred and ninety different families, and several deaconesses have given their entire time to slum work, and the care of kindergartens and nurseries. The Bethany Society has, besides the Motherhouses in Frankfort and Hamburg, Branch Houses in Berlin, Strassburg, Karlsruhe, Pforzheim, Vienna, Zuerich, Saint Gallen, Lausanne, Chemnitz, and Rest Homes in Neuenheim near Frankfort, and Volksdorf near Hamburg. *President*, Rev. H. Mann; *Superintendent*, Rev. Charles Schell; *Oberin* (Head Deaconess), Miss Martha Keller.

Ensworth Deaconess Hospital, Saint Joseph, Mo.—The Hospital building has been enlarged by the addition of 30 new rooms and the older part remodeled. Building hindered our work. Fiscal year ended September 30. Number of patients 853. Males 365. Females 488. Surgical cases 687. Death rate 3.6 per cent. Income from all sources $23,415.04; paid out and on hand $26,415,04; debt $3,000. Charity for 130, costing $3,690. Value of Nurses' Home $20,000. Furnishings of Hospital and Home $4,500. We own the Home but rent the Hospital buildings. Officers: *President*, Gustave Becker; *Vice-President*, S. H. Justice; *Secretary*, W. A. Graham; *Treasurer*, H. E. Bragg; *Corresponding Secretary*, F. W. Gee; *Superintendent*, Miss Ethel Hastings.

German Methodist Hospital, Los Angeles, Cal.—Was founded in 1900 as a Branch Home of the Deaconess Motherhouse in Cincinnati. Through a magnificent gift from a physician in Los Angeles, since deceased, the Board of Managers was enabled to erect a fine, modern Hospital, which was opened in February 1904. It is one of the best equipped small Hospitals in California. As the Motherhouse was not able to furnish the necessary number of deaconesses, a Nurse Training School was organized in 1904, and two years later, the Hospital was leased to the Clara Barton Hospital Society at $6,000 per year.

The property is worth $150,000 at present, debts $24,000. *President of the Board of Trustees*, Rev. O. Wilke, Los Angeles, Cal.

German Deaconess Hospital, Louisville, Ky.—This institution was organized in 1895, and the Board of Managers consists of German members and pastors of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the Falls City. The Hospital, located near the center of the city, has forty-five beds, and room for twenty-five deaconesses and nurses. The property is valued at $55,000, with an indebtedness of $14,000. There are three deaconesses in the Home. Several years ago a Nurse Training School was organized. The Hospital is self-supporting, and last year five hundred and twenty-four patients were cared for. The Hospital was enlarged several years ago. It has a modern and well-equipped operating-room, and a spacious ward. *President*, Rev. G. E. Hiller, D.D.; *Superintendent*, Rev. Charles Treuschel; *Head Deaconess*, Miss Emma Ahring.

Graham Protestant Hospital, Keokuk, Ia.—This Hospital has just closed its seventh year of successful work. The property, valued at $18,000, is now owned and managed by the Women's Home Society. It has twenty-one rooms for patients, besides office, reception room, dining room, kitchen and a very neat, attractive and aseptic operating room. There is not a dollar of debt resting upon the institution. An able corps of physicians and surgeons are upon its staff. The Nurses' Training School in connection with the Hospital has a three years' course and is opened to all Christian women who meet the requirements. It is under deaconess management. Miss Mary Jackson, the superintendent, is a deaconess of experience and ability. Last year we had 334 patients. The percentage of deaths was very low and the recoveries correspondingly high. Much charity work has been done. There is a nurses' home separate from the Hospital. The property embraces half a block of ground beautifully located near the city park. We greatly need a new building to accommodate our increasing patronage. In this Christlike work the cup of water is being given in the name of a disciple. *General Superintendent*, Mrs. L. G. Murphy.

Hamburg Deaconess Hospital, Germany.—This institution was founded in 1886. It is one of the best equipped, and one of the largest Methodist Deaconess Motherhouse Hospitals. The four buildings connected with the institution are surrounded by a park. The beautiful site was given to the Deaconess Bethany Society of our church by the city of Hamburg. They first erected a large hospital, with all modern facilities and equipments. Later they erected a large and beautiful Deaconess Home and Children's Hospital. Last year the city of Hamburg gave another piece of ground adjoining the Deaconess Home, where at present a fine power-house and laundry are erected. The property is valued at $300,000, with an indebtedness of $50,000. The income and disbursements of last year amounted to $46,200. 1,162 patients were cared for in the Hospital last year, and in addition several thousand patients were treated in the various Dispensaries connected with the institution. 782 operations were performed, and the deaconesses nursed outside the Hospital several hundred families. 79 deaconesses are connected with the institution.

A short distance from Hamburg, the Bethany Society has erected a large and commodious Rest Home at an expense of $35,000. The beautiful site was also given by the city of Hamburg. *President of the Association*, Rev. H. Mann; *Superintendent*, Rev. C. Schell; *Oberin* (Head Deaconess), Miss Sophia Hurter.

Iowa Methodist Hospital, Des Moines, Ia.—The Hospital, incorporated under the laws of the state of Iowa, was opened January 16, 1901, with a capacity of about 30 beds. During the first year about 300 patients were enrolled and cared for. In March of 1905 a new addition was opened increasing the capacity to 125 beds. During the last twelve months nearly 2,000 patients have been admitted, with a death rate of three and seven tenths per cent. The Hospital is a general hospital for the care of patients suffering from acute diseases, excepting contagious diseases and insanity. Worthy persons who are unable to pay for medical service receive gratuitous treatment from members of the medical staff.

An able corps of 50 nurses are constantly engaged in the care of the sick. Plans for a new $150,000 building are now being made, and it is hoped before the end of another year our now very much crowded condition will be relieved. *President*, E. D. Samson; *Corresponding Secretaries*, L. K. Billingsley, W. H. Cable; *Superintendent*, Esther Pearson.

Maria Beard Deaconess Home and Hospital, Spokane, Washington.—Deaconess work was begun in Spokane in 1892. In 1896 the Board was incorporated as the Maria Beard Deaconess Home of Spokane, since which time the work has made steady progress. At present there are four departments: First, the Home above referred to built in 1897, where the deaconesses live. Second, the Deaconess Hospital finished in 1907, where 55 patients can be cared for. Third, the Deaconess Old People's Home where a dozen or more old people are cared for. Fourth, The Esther C. Finley Deaconess Rest Home, named after the donor thereof, for aged deaconesses. Value of the Maria Beard Deaconess Home and contents, $15,000. Value of the Hospital $35,000. Value of the Old People's Home, $6,000 and of the Esther C. Finley Rest Home, $4,000. The officers of the Home and Hospital: *President*, J. C. Cunningham; *Vice-President*, Rev. U. F. Hawk; *Treasurer*, C. E. Bisbee; *Secretary*, Minnie B. O'Neill; *Superintendent*, Mary J. Comstock; *Superintendent of the Old People's Home*, Mary A. Curnick; *Superintendent of the Esther C. Finley Deaconess Rest Home*, Clara A. Brown.

Memorial Methodist Hospital, Mattoon, Ill.—A fine property; was purchased more than two years ago; near the heart of the city, four blocks from union depot; building was remodeled throughout, and finely equipped. We now have over 30 rooms, and one of the finest operating rooms in the state; the building and grounds have cost over $15,000. The Hospital was opened with impressive ceremonies March 15, 1906, and it has practically paid its way from the first. We have ample grounds for the construction of another and larger building when it shall be needed. Through the magnificent benefactions of Dr. D. M. McFall and others, an endowment of $100,000, productive in a short time, will give the institution a solid working

basis. Nine trustees manage the Hospital. *President*, Dr. D. M. McFall; *Secretary and Treasurer*, J. F. Lawson.

Methodist Episcopal Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.—This Hospital occupies a representative position among the charitable institutions of the great city of Philadelphia. It is located at South Broad and Wolf Streets. The grounds are ample, there being more than 5 acres, the appliances for hospital work modern and complete. It was founded by Dr. Scott Steward, who made provision for it in his will November 1, 1877, and who died June 29, 1881. The bequest was accepted by the Philadelphia Conference for the Methodist Episcopal Church in March, 1882. The charter was obtained February 14, 1885, and the institution was opened for patients April 21, 1892. A well-organized training school for nurses is maintained. Value of the property, including a small endowment fund, upward of a million dollars. Patients are received without distinction of color, race, or creed. No one has ever been refused admission on account of his poverty. No appropriation of public money is received. The financial exhibit for the past year is very gratifying. Receipts, $108,648.80. Disbursements, $91,622.36. The work of the year summarized is as follows: Admitted to the Hospital, 1,284 patients; 26,769 days of treatment have been given, of which 14,171 days were free; 7,350 patients were treated in the dispensary; 29,351 visits were made to the dispensary by the patients; 23,381 prescriptions were compounded. Five thousand dollars will endow an adult's bed and $4,000 a child's bed in perpetuity; $365 will support an adult's bed and $300 a child's bed for a year. Voluntary contributions mainly support the charity work. All contributions and correspondence should be sent to the corresponding secretary, J. D. Martin, D.D., 2301 South Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Methodist Episcopal Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.—Twenty-seven years ago the first gifts were made for the purpose of founding the first Methodist Hospital in the United States. Land was purchased in Brooklyn, and the exterior of three great buildings was erected by Mr. George I. Seney, at a cost of $410,000. When, on account of business reverses, Mr. Seney was unable to carry the work any further, the Board of Managers placed a representative in the field to raise enough money to finish one of the buildings. This effort met with success and the Western Pavilion was opened for the reception of patients December 15, 1887. For nineteen years the work of the Hospital has been done in this one building. In December, 1906, the Administration Building, now called the Halls Administration Building, and in September, 1908, the Eastern Pavilion were opened respectively for the reception of patients. These two buildings were brought to completion at a cost of $189,000, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. William Halls, Jr. Meanwhile an ice plant has been installed at an expense of $5,000, an iron fence erected at a cost of $4,600, and a concrete sidewalk laid around our property at an expense of $2,000. While these recent improvements have been under way, a steady and successful effort has been made to increase our endowment fund, with the result that within the past four years we have carried the endowment fund from $426,900, up to $760,000, with over $100,000 in addition in good pledges. We have also raised $75,000 over and

above our current expenses to cancel some old debts. Our enlarged plant has made it possible for us to do a much larger work than heretofore. We have doubled our bed capacity. We now can accommodate 200 patients a day. Last year we cared for 3,267 patients in our wards and rooms. During the year 1908 exactly two thirds of our ward patients were treated absolutely free and nearly one half of those who paid anything paid less than the regular ward rate. The first consideration when patients make application for admission is whether or not we can help them in a medical or surgical way, then the question of ability to pay is considered. If they can afford to do so, in the interest of our patrons, we expect them to pay the regular rates. If they can pay only a part of their expense then this will be expected of them, but if they cannot afford to pay anything, they receive just as warm a welcome as if they were paying their way. Whether remunerating the Hospital or free, they are received and treated as the guests of the Church. *President of the Board of Managers*, J. M. Buckley; *Vice-President*, William Halls, Jr.; *Secretary*, Morris H. Smith; *Treasurer*, Charles E. Teale; *Superintendent*, A. S. Kavanagh; *Assistant Superintendent*, W. T. Graham. All communications should be addressed to the superintendent of the Hospital.

New England Deaconess Aid Society, organized in Boston, March, 1902, with a charter membership of seven, has reached a membership of 800, many of whom are life members. Most of the cities and towns of Greater Boston are represented at the meetings, and invitations to hold these meetings in the various churches are constantly received. During the six years of its existence over $15,000 has been raised. It contributes to the comfort of the Home, supports a student in the Training School, while the contents of the mite-boxes go to the support of a free bed in the Hospital, in the Deaconess Aid Society ward. The interest is increasing in the East Maine and New Hampshire Branches, also in Worcester, Lowell and Haverhill districts. The Deaconess Helpers (circles of girls) paid $27 for the care of a child in the Hospital, besides contributing hundreds of garments, a bed, swings, etc., for the children in the Fresh Air Camp. *President*, Mrs. F. A. Patterson, Everett, Mass.

New England Deaconess Hospital, Office, 87 Milk Street, Boston, Mass.—This Hospital is located at Bellevue and Park Streets, Fenway District, Boston. The present building was completed and occupied April 15, 1907. It is of modern fire-proof construction; containing 50 beds for patients, and has every modern convenience for a general surgical hospital. The property, which includes nurses' home and separate building for laundry, cost $178,000. Endowment $5,345. The completed hospital, of which this is a part, will cost approximately $350,000. The New England Deaconess Association established its hospital work at 691 Massachusetts Avenue in 1896. During the first ten years some 2,000 patients were treated. During 1908 the patients treated will approximate 800. It has no out-patient department, has neither staff nor house physicians. The Hospital is very popular with prominent physicians and surgeons of Boston and vicinity, and they are generous in their help and in caring for free patients. Fully one third of this work in 1907 was gratuitous. This

was possible largely because of the earnings of the institution. The current expense amounts to $30,000 annually and is largely provided for by receipts from paying patients. *Superintendent* Miss Adeliza A. Betts; *Secretary*, Mrs. Annie Hart Sandidge.

Peoria Deaconess Home and Hospital, Peoria, Ill.—This Hospital was closed by injunction five or six years ago. We have bought the property that was enjoined and have resold it to a friend, and are now ready to reopen. We are getting ready to refurnish. We are also raising funds to build an addition 40x100, three stories and basement, and expect to be able to begin this in the spring. This is to be a wing of a main building which we are to erect soon. *President of the Board of Trustees*, W. B. Shoop.

Sibley Memorial Hospital.—This Hospital was erected and given to the Woman's Home Missionary Society by William J. Sibley, Esq., of Washington, D. C., in 1894. Since 1898, the building has been enlarged to more than twice its former size, and in the last few years, a large frame building, formerly used as the training school for deaconesses, has been added to the Hospital as an annex. The capacity of the Hospital accommodations at the present time is represented by 80 beds. It has five wards, including a children's ward and over thirty private rooms. It is administered on a plan somewhat unusual among hospitals. There is no regular staff of physicians. Any physician of recognized standing can bring patients to the Hospital and treat them in the wards and private rooms as exclusively as in the patient's home. In turn the Hospital provides all the care and nourishment. Sibley Hospital is a part of the National Training School for Missionaries and Deaconesses, and furnishes the nurse-training which the institution provides for all who desire to take this form of preparation for Christian service. Its large variety of cases, medical and surgical, over a thousand, and the large number of physicians, 150, who patronize the Hospital, give a very broad and varied experience to those who are taking nurse-training. The Hospital is not endowed and is therefore obliged to support itself by its own earnings. This it has been able to do for several years. Its nurse department is quite large. Forty nurses have been under training for the past year, and a large proportion of them expect to devote themselves to special service either as deaconesses or missionaries. The period of training is two years and three months. The nurses are obtained from all parts of the country, as far west as California and as far south as Texas. During the past year, 1,011 patients have been treated in the Hospital on an average of three weeks each. Many private patients have been nursed in their homes. The proportion of medical and surgical patients has been about one half. It is the aim of the Hospital to afford as much help as possible to the needy who do not have the money with which to pay for such service. From the city and the states near by, many such cases have been received. These people belong to the class that under ordinary circumstances take care of themselves and would be unwilling to accept public aid. Each year for many years the Hospital has cared for about two hundred in spite of the fact that it is compelled to do so out of a meager income to be used for its own support.

The dispensary and emergency work done during the past year has

exceeded very greatly that done in previous years, while the resident physician has given some outside help freely to the people who have applied. Only a small fee is ever charged for service in the dispensary and for the most part assistance is given free. While Washington is well supplied with hospitals, Sibley Hospital has met with great favor from physicians and people. For the last three years it has been more than full, having a waiting list almost all the time, and in some periods of the year having a dozen applications that it could not receive. With the rapid growth of the city, there will be ample room and great demand for a larger Methodist and Deaconess Hospital.

Saint Luke's Hospital of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Cleveland, O.—This Hospital opened July 20, 1908. Its motto is "All Healing is Divine Healing." The building is of reinforced concrete construction, thoroughly fire-proof and located in a quiet section of the city, apart from the noise of street cars, railway trains and heavy traffic, yet easily accessible by electric lines. The architecture is classic but homelike and inviting. The water used in the entire building is filtered and all the air is washed by being passed through a shower room and baffle plates. Two large dwelling houses are occupied as nurses' homes until such time as a suitable building can be secured. The entire plant with equipment cost over $150,000; $35,000 of which came from two bequests. The Hospital has 41 rooms and three private wards with a total capacity of 90 beds. The staff is composed of some of the most skillful physicians and surgeons in Ohio. The institution is controlled by the East Ohio and North Ohio Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, through a Board of fifteen trustees. The officers are as follows: *President*, F. F. Prentiss; *Vice-President*, H. J. Caldwell; *Secretary*, R. M. Freshwater, D.D.; *Treasurer*, William H. Hunt; *Superintendent and Chaplain*, Ward Beecher Pickard, D.D., 6606 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland, O.

The Methodist Episcopal Hospital and Deaconess Home of the State of Indiana.—This institution, controlled by the three Annual Conferences of the state of Indiana, occupies an entire square in the city of Indianapolis. The corner stone of the first and main building was laid October 25, 1905. The work of construction is still in progress. The exterior of the first building is completed, and arrangements are made for the speedy finishing of the interior and the erection of a heating and power-house. The main building is a large three-story structure (134x143 feet) of pressed brick with Bedford stone trimmings and glazed tile roofing. It is entirely of fireproof materials, and built after the most modern and best approved plans for hospital construction. The entire property at the present time represents a value of $150,000. When the whole plan of the building is completed this will be one of the largest and best equipped hospitals in the West. *President*, Rev. C. E. Bacon, D.D.; *Secretary* and *Field Agent*, Rev. Arthur H. DeLong; *Treasurer*, W. D. Cooper, Indianapolis, Ind.

The Nebraska Methodist Episcopal Hospital and Deaconess Home.—This Home is located in Omaha, Neb. It was chartered in 1891, and opened May 28, 1892. Capacity, 36 beds. There are three buildings of the new hospital approaching completion, valued at $210,000,

having a capacity of more than 100 beds. The corporate powers are vested in the board of trustees, elected by the four Annual Conferences in this state. The financial statement March 1, 1906, is as follows: Receipts, $22,049.60; expenses, $19,619.62; balance on hand, $2,430.07. *President*, C. W. DeLamatre; *Vice-President*, Oscar Allen; *Treasurer*, W. P. Harford; *Recording Secretary*, C. A. Goss; *Membership Secretary*, A. L. Johnson; *Auditor*, Oscar Allen; *Corresponding Secretary*, Rev. J. I. MacLaughlin.

The new hospital and deaconess home, dedicated June 12, 1908, is located on the corner of Cuming and 36th Streets.

Wesley Hospital, Chicago, Ill.—This Hospital, incorporated in 1888, was the first in America under the charge of the deaconesses of the Methodist Episcopal Church. It was opened November, 1888, its first patients being sheltered in the Chicago Training School building. On February 1, 1905, the management of the Hospital was turned over to the Hospital board of trustees, 30 in number. A new structure for the Hospital has recently been erected at a cost of $237,000. There is an endowment of $137,543.47, very little of which is at present productive. The Hospital has a capacity of 175 beds, but with the new wing which the plan includes its capacity will be increased to more than 200. A nurses' home, the gift of Norman W. Harris, has been erected at a cost of over $30,000. An excellent nurses' training school, with 80 nurses in residence, is connected with the Hospital. Number of patients cared for during the year, 3,987. *President of Board of Trustees*, Perley Lowe; *Principal of School*, Miss Bertha L. Knapp; *Superintendent*, E. S. Gilmore.

THE METHODIST BROTHERHOOD

The Methodist Brotherhood, sanctioned, authorized and empowered by the last General Conference, now takes its proper position among the active, far-reaching organizations of Methodism. For many years various men's societies, clubs, leagues, guilds, etc., have existed in our denomination. Two general Brotherhoods, strong and efficient, had been organized, securing wide support of Methodist men. In the providence of God unification became the watchword of these great fraternities—Saint Paul and Wesley. At Buffalo, New York, on March 11, 1908, under the joint presidency of Bishops J. F. Berry and William Burt, twenty-two duly authorized representatives of these Brotherhoods came together in delightful harmony, prayed, counselled and consolidated The Methodist Brotherhood. Looking to the future and aiming at heartiest union in all men's work in Methodism, The Methodist Brotherhood took action which resulted in a Memorial to the General Conference, from which the following is quoted:

Under this title (The Methodist Brotherhood), lies a history

and a prophecy. The history records the admirable work for men which for a decade and a half has been developed under the direction of the Brotherhood of Saint Paul and the Wesley Brotherhood. On their registers have been fully a thousand chapters, and in their fellowship have been tens of thousands of Methodist men. It has been stated that probably 150,000 men have been enrolled in the various men's organizations of our Church. These two principal societies, differing at certain points in method, have been one in zeal and aim. They, like the brotherhoods in many other denominations, have been a response to a two-fold conviction which today grips the heart of the Christian Church: On the one hand, that the man without a mission easily ceases to be a Christian; and, on the other, that the manhood of the world is eagerly awaiting the active ministry of the manhood of the Church. Only by a careful study of the modern Christian movement, in that phase in which men's work for men is the central fact, from the strong societies in the Roman Catholic Church to the Brotherhood formed only the other day by the Congregational laymen in Detroit, can it be realized how definitely these two Brotherhoods of our Methodist Church have been a part of a great religious revival.

The feeling that the Brotherhood of Saint Paul and the Wesley Brotherhood could best realize their own exalted purposes by a union of forces and a combination of methods is not recent. During the past quadrennium, however, the feeling has become a conviction, and the conviction has crystallized into action.

Correspondence initiated by the representatives of the Brotherhood of Saint Paul resulted in the appointment by each of the societies of a Commission of eleven on Unification, with the avowed purpose of meeting to discuss union, and, if practicable, to effect it. The Joint Commission met in Buffalo, March 11, 1908. The sessions were presided over alternately by Bishop William Burt and Bishop Joseph F. Berry.

Representing the Brotherhood of Saint Paul: Bishop Joseph F. Berry, D.D., chairman; Rev. A. E. Craig, D.D., pastor Broad Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Columbus, O.; Mr. H. E. Dingley manufacturer, Syracuse, N. Y.; Mr. G. W. Fifield, merchant, Jackson Mich.; Rev. C. E. Hamilton, D.D., pastor Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, Albany, N. Y.; Rev. A. W. Hayes, D.D., pastor First Methodis Episcopal Church, Westfield, N. J.; Rev. F. D. Leete, D.D., pastor Central Methodist Episcopal Church, Detroit, Mich.; Rev. C. F. Reisner, D.D., pastor Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, Denver, Colo.; Rev. W. A. Shanklin, D.D., president Iowa Wesleyan College, Fayette, Ia.; Rev. F. L. Thompson, D.D.; pastor Lindell Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, Saint Louis, Mo.; Mr. J. A. Tory, insurance, Detroit, Mich.

Representing the Wesley Brotherhood: Rev. Bishop William Burt, D.D., chairman; Rev. O. S. Baketel, D.D., superintendent special correspondence, Department of Sunday Schools, Manchester, N. H.; Rev. D. G. Downey, D.D., assistant secretary, Department of Sunday Schools, New York city; Mr. T. A. Dye, banker, Pittsburg, Pa.; Mr. J. R. Joy, assistant editor Christian Advocate, Plainfield, N. J.; Rev. H. H. Meyer, assistant editor, Department of Sunday Schools, New York city; Rev. F. M. North, D.D., corresponding secretary, New York City Church Extension and Missionary Society, New York

city; Mr. W. B. Patterson, general secretary, Wesley Brotherhood, New York city; Mr. J. W. Powell, evangelist, Buffalo, N. Y.; Mr. C. C. Stoll, manufacturer, Louisville, Ky.; Mr. F. E. Tasker, lawyer, New York city.

On behalf of The Methodist Brotherhood, we now respectfully request:

First—That the General Conference recognize The Methodist Brotherhood as the authorized Brotherhood for the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Second—That, in harmony with the provision of the Constitution relating thereto, the General Conference requests the Board of Bishops to appoint three of their number to be members of the Managing Board of The Methodist Brotherhood.

Third—That the General Conference provide by appropriate action that it shall be made the duty of pastors, so far as practicable, to promote the organization of chapters of The Methodist Brotherhood in their several churches, and that wherever such a chapter is organized its president shall be a member of the Quarterly Conference.

That our requests are not more elaborate is due, we venture to believe, to the care with which the new organization has been formed and to our conviction that the safety and success of the men's movement in Methodism will depend, in no small degree, upon the natural freedom accorded to it. High ideals were in the minds of the founders of the earlier Brotherhoods. The Methodist Brotherhood aims to perpetuate these ideals and to give them, in constant renewal of consecrated service, practical form. Loyalty to Christ, to the Kingdom, to Methodism is at the Brotherhood's heart. It exists to win men to Methodism, to the Kingdom, to Christ. It craves for our great Church, which grew, under the guidance of the Divine Spirit, out of the individual and social longing for Christ, a place of power among the forces which are clearing the way between men and their Lord. We believe that the men of Methodism have already caught the vision and are eager to assume the task.

Pursuant to the Memorial, the General Conference requested the Board of Bishops to appoint a Committee to consider and report on the matter "of a Brotherhood for the Methodist Episcopal Church."

The Committee was constituted as follows: At Large—Hanford Crawford, Saint Louis; Rev. J. W. E. Bowen, Washington; Rev. W. S. Matthew, California; Rev. C. A. Tindley, Delaware; H. M. Havner, Iowa; H. E. Dingley, Central New York; Rev. W. P. French, Michigan; Willis McDonald, New York East; Carlo Ferreri, Italy; Rev. J. G. Wilson, Philadelphia; C. B. Perkins, California; Rev. E. A. Bishop, Vermont; E. R. Rowlander, Eastern Swedish; Frederick Engebretsen, Western Norwegian and Danish; Rev. S. S. Sulliger, Puget Sound.

District 1—Rev. E. S. Tasker, New Hampshire, and C. E. Tilton, Maine. District 2—Rev. John Handley, New Jersey, and M. S. Daniels, Newark. District 3—Rev. W. D. Marsh, Northern New York, and S. L. Strivings, Genesee. District 4—Rev. J. C. Nicholson, Baltimore, and Anders Anderson, Norway. District 5—Rev. T. H. Campbell, Central Ohio, and G. D. Selby, Ohio. District 6—Rev. S. K. Arbuthnot, West Virginia, and W. E. Dennis, Liberia. District 7—Rev. D. G. Franklin, Lincoln, and E. H. McKissack, Upper Mississippi. District 8—Rev. W. J. Martindale, Southwest Kansas, and A. H. Dunn, Colorado. District 9—Rev. W. A. Shanklin, Upper

Iowa, and Charles Strader, Nebraska. District 10—Rev. Christie Galeener, Illinois, and D. D. Thompson[1], Rock River. District 11—Rev. W. D. Parr, North Indiana, and J. Frank Hanly, Northwest Indiana. District 12—Rev. J. C. Moore, North Nebraska, and H. A. Larsen, Wisconsin. District 13—Rev. Christian Golder, Central German, and E. G. Bek, South Germany. District 14—Rev. U. F. Hawk, Columbia River, and B. L. Paget, Oregon.

This was truly a representative Methodist committee, being composed of the governor of a State, who is also a lawyer; three college presidents, two professors in colleges, seven district superintendents, three lawyers, two editors, one publisher, one banker, ten pastors, five manufacturers, one clerk, two secretaries, one superintendent, one accountant, and three merchants. The committee reached a unanimous report on May 20, published the same in the DAILY CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE on May 21, and unanimously and without adverse debate its report was adopted by the General Conference on May 30, becoming thereby officially incorporated into the economy of the Church.

This report and action were as follows:

Having considered the recommendation of the Board of Bishops and the various memorials upon the organization of a Brotherhood your committee respectfully recommend the adoption of the following:

First—That the General Conference authorize and endorse the following Constitution for a Brotherhood:

General Constitution of the Methodist Brotherhood

ARTICLE I—NAME

This organization shall be called The Methodist Brotherhood.

ARTICLE II—OBJECT

The aim of this organization is to effect the mutual improvement of its members by religious, social, literary, and physical culture; to promote the spirit and practice of Christian brotherhood; to increase fraternal interest among men; to develop their activity in all that relates to social, civic, and industrial betterment, and to build up the Church by leading men into its communion and fellowship.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

All men's organizations of whatever name, existing in Methodist Churches, or that may hereafter exist, approved by the Quarterly Conference, are recognized as Chapters of The Methodist Brotherhood, and upon application for and adoption of the Constitution shall be enrolled as active Chapters. Constitutions of Local Chapters shall be in accord with the general Constitution.

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS

The officers shall be a President, five Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a General Secretary, and a Treasurer.

ARTICLE V—MANAGING BOARD

1. The Managing Board shall consist of three Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, who shall be appointed biennially by the Board of Bishops; the General Officers of the Brotherhood; one member from each General Conference District, and seven additional members

[1] Died, November 10, 1908.

at large, who shall be elected by the General Convention, as hereinafter provided, and such other members as may be elected by affiliating Methodist bodies; all of whom shall hold office for two years, or until their successors are chosen. Vacancies in the Managing Board shall be filled by the Board.

2. Seven members shall constitute a quorum.

3. Regular meetings of the Managing Board shall be held in May and November of each year.

4. Any General Men's Organization, in any Branch of Ecumenical Methodism, uniting with The Methodist Brotherhood, shall have such representation on the Managing Board as the members of said Board may approve.

Article VI—General Convention

1. The General Convention shall be held biennially, or otherwise, at such time and place as the Managing Board shall direct.

2. Each active Chapter shall be entitled to representation in the General Convention by one accredited delegate, and by one additional accredited delegate for each fifty members in excess of the first fifty. The General Officers, the Managing Board, and the Annual Conference Presidents and Secretaries shall also be delegates to the General Convention.

Article VII—Elections

The Officers shall be elected at the General Convention by ballot, and shall hold office for two years, or until their successors are elected and have qualified. The Officers shall perform the duties usually devolving upon their respective offices. Vacancy in office shall be filled by the Managing Board.

Article VIII—Conference Organization

Delegates from Local Chapters of The Methodist Brotherhood are empowered to organize Annual Conference and District Conventions which shall elect their own Officers. The Conference President and Secretary, with the District Vice-Presidents and District Superintendents, shall constitute an Executive Committee for the Conference. Until these organizations shall have heen perfected, or in case of default, the Managing Board shall appoint the Conference President and Secretary, and the Conference President shall appoint the District Vice-Presidents and Secretaries.

Article IX—Amendments

This Constitution may be amended at any regular General Convention by a two-thirds vote, provided that the proposed amendment shall first have been previously submitted in writing, and referred to the Managing Board, who shall report the same to the Convention with its recommendation.

Second—We request the Board of Bishops to appoint three of their number as members of the Managing Board of The Methodist Brotherhood.

Third—We recommend that the following changes in the Discipline be made:

(1) Paragraph 99 of the Discipline, Section 3, be amended by adding after sub-section 4 a new sub-section, to wit:

"No. 5. As presidents of chapters of The Methodist Brotherhood."

Also, under Section 4 of Paragraph 99 a new sub-section:

"No. 5. As presidents of chapters of The Methodist Brotherhood."

(2) Paragraph 96 of the Discipline be amended in the eighth line, after the word "Societies," by the addition of the following words, to wit:

"And the presidents of chapters of The Methodist Brotherhood," so that the whole paragraph when amended shall read as follows:

"The Quarterly Conference shall be composed of all the Traveling Ministers, Local Preachers, Exhorters, Stewards, and Class Leaders within the charge, together with the Trustees of the Churches, the first Superintendents of the Sunday Schools, the Presidents of the Epworth League Chapters, the Superintendents of the Junior Leagues, and the Presidents of the Ladies' Aid Societies, and the presidents of chapters of The Methodist Brotherhood within the charge," etc., etc.

(3) Paragraph 193 of the Discipline be amended by inserting after Section 13 a new section, to read as follows:

"To organize, if possible, and to maintain, if practicable, Chapters of The Methodist Brotherhood."

Fourth—We recommend that the present General Officers and Managing Board of The Methodist Brotherhood be constituted the officers and managing board until the next General Convention.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

Chairman, HANFORD CRAWFORD,
Saint Louis Conference.

Secretary, J. W. E. BOWEN,
Washington Conference.

And now, with a Brotherhood Chapter in each Church, there are many and specific activities to which genuinely Christian men may devote themselves. The Methodist Brotherhood suggests the division of these activities as follows:

Committee on Religious Work and Social Service. *Chairman:* The First Vice-President.

Committee on Bible and Mission Study. *Chairman:* The Second Vice-President.

Committee on Fellowship. *Chairman:* The Third Vice-President.

Committee on Membership. *Chairman:* The Fourth Vice-President.

More extensive suggestions as to work may be obtained from the Manual and from the central office of the Brotherhood.

OFFICERS: *President:*, H. E. Dingley, Syracuse, N. Y.; *Vice-Presidents*, F. E. Tasker, New York city; F. L. Thompson, Saint Louis, Mo.; C. C. Stoll, Louisville, Ky.; C. F. Reisner, Denver, Colo.; T. S. Lippy, Seattle, Wash.; *Recording Secretary*, A. E. Craig, Columbus, O.; *General Secretary*, W. B. Patterson, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York city; *Treasurer*, Robert H. Montgomery, 165 Broadway, New York city. *Managing Board:* The General Officers; Bishop J. F. Berry; Bishop William Burt; Bishop T. B. Neely; Ernst Gideon Bek, Pforzheim, Germany; Hanford Crawford, Saint Louis, Mo.; D. G. Downey, Chicago; T. A. Dye, Pittsburg, Pa.; G. P. Eckman, New York; G. W. Fifield, Jackson, Mich.; C. E. Hamilton, Albany, N. Y.; A. W. Hayes, Westfield, N. J.; S. J. Herben, Chicago, Ill.; J. R. Joy, New York; F. D. Leete, Detroit, Mich.; W. D. Marsh, Little Falls, N. Y.; F. M. North, New York; I. T. Parker, Wilmington, Del.; J. R. Pepper,

Memphis, Tenn.; H. F. Rall, Baltimore, Md.; W. A. Shanklin, Fayette, Ia.; J. A. Tory, Detroit, Mich.; D. L. Tuttle, Buffalo, N. Y.; N. W. Harris, Chicago, Ill.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE: In charge of the General Secretary, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York city.

HOMES FOR THE AGED

SOME of the Homes named herein have failed to respond to our request for the latest information concerning them much to our regret and their loss.

Baltimore Home for the Aged, Baltimore, Md.—The building is located at the corner of Fulton Avenue and Franklin Street. Valuation, $100,000. Number of inmates, 90. An applicant for admission into the Home must be sixty-five years of age or more, an acceptable member of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Baltimore for ten years prior to the time of application, and have no means of support. A payment of $200 and suitable wardrobe are required. Officers: *President*, Mrs. Hamilton Easter; *Recording Secretary*, Mrs. G. L. Taneyhill; *Corresponding Secretary*, Mrs. W. M. Winks, 37 East North Avenue, Baltimore, Md.; *Treasurer*, Mrs. W. E. Wagner. *Board of Trustees*: Benjamin F. Bennett, Nicholas M. Smith, John Neff, M.D., Charles E. Hill, David Abercrombie, David H. Carroll, D.D., William M. Winks, A. Rozel Cathcart, George W. Corner, Alcæus Hooper, W. C. Eliason, J. S. Rawlings.

Brooklyn Methodist Episcopal Church Home.—Location, Park Place and New York Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.; incorporated May 10, 1883; present building dedicated May 18, 1889. Cost, exclusive of ground, $60,000; no debt. Receipts for year ending March 31, 1908, $15,105.29. Number of inmates, 56; capacity, 60. *President*, Mrs. Francis W. Young; *Vice-Presidents*, Mrs. John M. Bulwinkle, Mrs. Henry L. Quick, Mrs. Gerald Whiting, Mrs. Edwin Holloway; *Treasurer*, Mrs. A. P. Strout; *Recording Secretary*, Mrs. H. C. M. Ingraham; *Corresponding Secretary*, Mrs. George D. Beattys, 845 Prospect Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Home for the Aged and Infirm, Camden, N. J.—This Home, founded and conducted by the Methodist Episcopal Church of the County of Camden, N. J., issued its eighteenth annual report for the years 1907–1908, from which we glean the following interesting data: Number of inmates, 29. The report of the treasurer of the Board of Trustees shows: Receipts, $4,781.72; disbursements, $5,211.36; balance in General Fund, $934.92. Membership in the society is conditioned on the payment of one dollar or more annually; a payment of twenty dollars at one time constitutes the donor a life member; one hundred dollars a patron; five hundred dollars a life patron. Terms of admission to the Home are $150 for all persons aged 65 or over. Board of Managers: *President*, Mrs. Mary Baird Fox; *Recording Secretary*, Mrs. L. M. Allbright; *Corresponding Secretary*, Mrs. Ida B. Cooper; *Financial Secretary*, Mrs. Lavinia Wentling; *Treasurer*, Mrs. S. E. Phillips; *Matron*, Mrs. S. A. Mayers; *Honorary Active Man-*

ager, Mrs. Rachel Collins. Board of Trustees: *President*, Dr. A. E. Street; *Secretary*, H. L. Snyder; *Treasurer*, F. S. Wells.

Methodist Episcopal Old People's Home, Chicago, Ill.—Incorporated in May, 1890, and founded for aged Methodists. The Home owns $[illegible],000 worth of property. Endowment Fund, $75,000. Capacity of present building, 74. The two proposed wings are still needed to complete the plant.

Fifty rooms have been furnished by churches, leagues, aid societies and individuals. The Methodist Old Peoples' Home Auxiliary is a valuable adjunct in the work. Resident members, 55. Workers—deaconesses, 4; employees, 8.

Honorary President, Bishop William F. McDowell; *President*, Rev. W. O. Shepherd; *Secretary*, Rev. G. D. Cleworth; *Superintendent*, Isabelle A. Reeves.

Swedish Bethany Home for the Aged, Chicago.—This Home of the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church, was incorporated November 3, 1890, and was founded by Mr. John R. Lindgren of Chicago, in memory of his parents, Captain and Mrs. C. M. Lindgren. Mr. Lindgren donated $50,000, on condition that an equal sum was raised among the Swedish Methodist Churches. In August, 1891, a very fine tract of land was purchased in Ravenswood, Chicago, corner of Paulina Street and Winnemac Avenue, for the sum of $13,000. The new building was dedicated in June, 1893. Estimated value of property including building and grounds $[illegible],000. Endowment Fund including one building $31,000. The object of the institution is to provide a Home for needy aged people. No specified sum is required for entrance fee. *President*, Rev. Alfred Anderson; *Treasurer*, Mr. John R. Lindgren; *Financial Agent*, Rev. John Bendix.

Methodist Home for the Aged, Cincinnati, O.—The new building is now occupied. It will accommodate 200 persons. The memorial chapel will seat 300 worshipers. The new building is equipped with elevator, a steam laundry, electrical plant, the Beck hot water heating system, and other modern conveniences—indeed, everything that will lighten the work of the good deaconesses who will have charge of the internal affairs of the Home. The construction plan eliminates everything that creates fire risk. The grounds are high, ideally located, and contain over 20 acres, with 1,260 feet frontage, on an electric railway that runs to the city. The fixed policy is that each inmate shall be required to pay for benefits received in full or in part according to his or her ability. Every case will be considered on its own merits in all respects, hence the admission fee varies according to the financial ability of the applicant or of those who have a natural obligation to aid in his or her support, from $3,000 down. In cases where an applicant be named to occupy an endowed room all is free. The Home does not exist to make it easy for well-to-do families to neglect the care of their own. According to financial statement of June 1, 1908, the Home had resources of $358,353.87, including grounds valued at $20,000. The building cost $300,000. The expenses and revenue for year ending June 1, 1908, were, receipts, $10,351.30; expenses, $10,290.20. The Board of Management is as follows: Elected by the East Ohio Conference: J. C. Corns, Massillon; C. E. Manchester, D.D., Canton; Mrs. S. J. Austin, Cleveland; by the Ohio Conference: Mrs. Madeline Baker Sharp, Washington C. H., O.; Henry

B. Rusler, Johnstown, O.; A. M. Courtney, D.D., Zanesville; by the North Ohio Conference: Mrs. Ida M. Mitchell, Cleveland; H. C. Hedges, Mansfield; Duston Kemble, D.D., Cleveland; by the Cincinnati Conference: Rev. Dr. C. E. Schenk, Cincinnati; Mrs. O. J. Wilson, Cincinnati; C. W. Bennett, Piqua, O.; by the Central Ohio Conference: Mrs. Leroy A. Belt, Kenton; Harry R. Lee, Toledo; Rev. Dr. J. F. Harshberger, Defiance. *Charter Members:* H. C. Weakley, D.D., Cincinnati; A. J. Lyon, D.D., J. H. Fitzwater, D.D., Delaware; A. H. Norcross, D.D., Zanesville; Robert Johnson, Esq., Springfield. *President*, H. C. Weakley; *Secretary*, A. J. Lyon; *Treasurer*, A. H. Norcross.

Deaconess Old People's Home, Hillyard, Wash.—This Home, three miles north of Spokane, is valued at $5,000 and is free from incumbrance. Since the Home was founded, it has cared for over 100 old people and has paid all expenses, besides placing additions and improvements, exceeding $1,000 upon the property. During the past year 17 aged men and women were cared for. The Home was maintained at an expenditure of $1,701.19 last year. Good work is being done. Endowment is needed. *Superintendent*, Mary A. Curnick.

Methodist Episcopal Church Home, Amsterdam Avenue, 92d to 93d Streets, New York city.—The object of this society is to provide for the aged and infirm members of the Methodist Episcopal Church (whose circumstances require such aid) a comfortable residence with board, clothing, employment, medical attendance, and the accustomed means of grace. No entrance fee is required. *President*, Mrs. M. K. Robinson, 456 W. 144th Street; *First Vice-President*, Mrs. Edward Kilpatrick, 514 Warburton Avenue, Yonkers; *Second Vice-President*, Mrs. E. S. Osbon, Fishkill on the Hudson; *Treasurer*, Mrs. M. S. Rogers, 170 W. 59th Street; *Recording Secretary*, Mrs. J. Edgar Leaycraft, 311 West End Avenue; *Corresponding Secretary*, Miss Helen M. DeVeau, 143 E. 63d Street.

Methodist Episcopal Home for the Aged, Philadelphia.—This institution, organized June 14, 1865, is located at Belmont, Monument and Edgely Avenues, fronting on Fairmount Park, and adjoining the Methodist Episcopal Orphanage grounds, the grounds of both institutions having been donated by the late Colonel Joseph M. Bennett. The present building was dedicated November 2, 1899. Our family, including the caretakers, numbers 165 persons. Number of inmates, 144. The Home has all the latest and most modern appliances, and the grounds are handsomely kept up. A bronze statue of Bishop Matthew Simpson adorns the Belmont front of the Home grounds. This was donated in April, 1900. Annual gatherings are held at the Home in November and June of each year; dinner is provided, and large sums are realized for the benefit of the Home. There were only three deaths during the year. The oldest inmate, Mrs. Elizabeth Wonderly, celebrated her one hundred and fifth birthday in May, 1908, and is in good health. Women are received at sixty-five and men at seventy years of age. The admission fee is $300. *President*, Mrs. John J. Zeigler; *Treasurer*, Mrs. W. H. Senderling, 1934 North Sixth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.; *Recording Secretary*, Miss B. D. Simons; *Corresponding Secretary*, Mrs. E. B. McCombs, 130 S. 22d Street Philadelphia, Pa.

Old People's Home, Saint Louis German Conference, Quincy, Ill.—This Home was founded in 1889 by Charles Pfeiffer, who donated a

two-story brick building with four lots. Incorporated 1890. Several additional lots were later bought, upon which three buildings have been erected, a large dining room, and two dormitories, at a cost of $17,800. In the summer of 1908 another adjoining property with over three lots and a large house was purchased through the generosity of a friend. Estimated value of property, $40,000. The present number of inmates is 58. *President*, Rev. W. C. Schultze, Rock Island, Ill.; *Treasurer*, H. C. Pfeiffer, Quincy, Ill.; *Secretary*, Rev. F. Brinkmeyer, Belleville, Ill.; *Superintendent*, Rev. William Balcke, Quincy, Ill.

Deaconess Old People's Home, Spokane, Wash.—The legal name of this institution is Maria Beard Deaconess Old People's Home of Spokane, Wash., established in 1899, and is an outgrowth of the Maria Beard Deaconess Home and Hospital of that city. (*q. v.*) Present number of old people sheltered, 8. Applications for aid are being refused because of limited capacity of quarters now occupied. There is an encouraging prospect of securing a suburban home with enlarged accommodations for both sexes. Women only are admitted. Value of the Home, $4,000. *Superintendent*, Mary A. Curnick.

Methodist Home, Washington, D. C.—Located on the corner of Sixth and M Streets, N. W. Incorporated January 21, 1889. The present building dedicated March 21, 1902. Additional property has been purchased during the past year, which increased the value of our property to $70,000. Inmates, 43; capacity, 60. An applicant for entrance into the Home must be sixty-five years of age or over, a member in good standing of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the District of Columbia for ten years prior to time of application, and have no means of support. A payment of $200 and suitable wardrobe is required. The Home is governed by a Board of Managers composed of the wife of the resident bishop, of the district superintendent, and of each pastor, together with from two to twelve women from each Methodist Episcopal church in the District of Columbia. *President*, Mrs. D. B. Street; *Treasurer*, Mrs. T. C. Smith; *Corresponding Secretary*, Mrs. W. G. McDowell; *Recording Secretary*, Mrs. J. C. Tasker; *Matron*, Miss Alma Jones.

THE NATIONAL CITY EVANGELIZATION UNION

THIS Society was organized at Pittsburg, March, 1892, having been first suggested at Cleveland, November, 1891, at the time of the meeting of the General Missionary Committee; it was recognized and approved by the General Conference in 1892 and 1896, and has been the subject of special legislation by that body in 1900 and 1904; it is organized on a voluntary basis, having had during its history no salaried officers; it is the concrete expression of the conviction that the life of the nation and the final success of the Church are conditioned upon the conquest of the cities of America by the Gospel of Christ.

The Society is thoroughly representative in its organization. Its officers include representative laymen from various cities and secre-

taries of leading local city unions. The bishops are *ex officio* members of the Board of Managers, which consists of the officers and thirty other members, laymen or ministers. A special committee of twenty has provided the financial backing for the expenses of correspondence, visitation and publication. These are all elected at the time of the Annual Convention, which usually occurs in November.

The program of the National Union has included, agitation, education, direction and legislation. Its sixteen annual conventions have constituted a series of remarkable meetings held in different cities at which every phase of the city problem as related to the Church has been discussed by the ablest leaders of our own and other denominations. The publication of the papers and addresses delivered at these Conventions has widely and effectively emphasized the importance of the evangelization of cities. Pressure direct and indirect has been brought to bear upon the General Conference, resulting in the legislation contained in Paragraphs 377, 378, of the Discipline. In response to an appeal from the National Union, the cities were made a distinct class in the list of the appropriations of the General Missionary Committee, this year over $55,000 being set apart for this purpose, to be distributed among the cities now fulfilling, by organization and method of administration, the conditions required. In the majority of these the special work aided is that among the foreign speaking peoples and the appropriation is administered by the Local Unions.

The form of organization of the National and the Local Unions for city evangelization may be stated most succinctly in quotation from the Discipline, Paragraphs 404, 406. The National Union "is composed of representatives from all the local organizations or unions, by whatever name known, working for city evangelization and city church extension under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church." "The object of the National Union is to promote the efficiency of the Local Unions, to bring them into helpful and fraternal relations, to encourage the formation of similar unions in all the cities, or in contiguous communities, where the Methodist Episcopal Church has three or more pastoral charges, and in general to keep before the Church its responsibility for the evangelization of the cities." It is made the duty of the corresponding secretary, who is the executive officer of the Society and is elected by the Union, "to conduct the correspondence of the Union, and in general to promote the interests of city evangelization throughout the Church by the circulation of literature, the visitation of cities and Annual Conferences, and by such coöperation with the Local Unions as may be found practicable." The Union reports quadrennially to the General Conference. "The scope of the work of a Local Union may, among other objects, include properly the planting of churches and Sunday schools, the aid of weak churches, missions to foreign populations, the transforming of downtown churches into new centers with modern methods of service, the institution of kindergartens and industrial schools, evangelistic, social, and Christian settlement work, conducting rescue missions and institutions for the relief of the destitute and the recovery of the outcast. A Local Union may also combine with its plans for evangelization methods for promoting the connectional social life of the several churches."

By the action of the last General Conference the National Union is entitled to elect three representatives upon the General Committee of

Home Missions and Church Extension. For its relation to the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, the classification of cities and method of administration of Local Unions, the Discipline, chapters IV and VI, should be consulted.

Literature.—The Union has published a number of leaflets upon phases of city work. The Christian City, published in New York, and edited by Frank Mason North, D.D., the corresponding secretary of the National Union, has for several years been adopted as the organ of the Society. Address, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York city.

Officers.—The following are the officers of the present year, as elected at the Convention in Chicago, November 16, 1906:

President, Hanford Crawford, St. Louis; *Vice-Presidents*, James B. Hobbs, Chicago; A. P. Sloan, Brooklyn; Summerfield Baldwin, Baltimore; J. W. Pearsall, Ridgewood, N. J.; *Corresponding Secretary*, Frank Mason North, D.D., New York city; *Recording Secretary*, Rev. C. A. Littlefield, Lynn, Mass.; *Treasurer*, Horace Benton, Cleveland. *Additional Members of Executive Committee*, Rev. A. W. Byrt, D.D., Brooklyn; Rev. Dillon Bronson, D.D., Boston; Rev. James Rowe, D.D., Chicago; Rev. J. G. Bickerton, D.D., Philadelphia. *Board of Managers*, The Bishops (*ex officio*); Charles Gibson, Albany; A. A. Horne, Allegheny; James E. Ingram, Baltimore; David Abercrombie, Baltimore; Rev. C. W. Baldwin, Baltimore; R. S. Douglass, Boston; John M. Bulwinkle, Brooklyn; Rev. Ward Platt, Buffalo; Perley Lowe, Chicago; Rev. A. D. Traveller, Chicago; Rev. D. W. Clark, Cincinnati; James N. Gamble, Cincinnati; N. B. Abbott, Columbus; Rev. H. E. Warner, Denver; C. W. Leach, Detroit; W. H. Beach, Jersey City; Rev. S. B. Campbell, Kansas City; Rev. S. P. Long, Minneapolis; Rev. J. M. Meeker, Newark; Robert F. Raymond, New Bedford; Henry Wade Rogers, New Haven; S. W. Bowne, New York; J. Edgar Leaycraft, New York; Rev. C. M. Boswell, Philadelphia; John E. James, M.D., Philadelphia; Rev. T. N. Boyle, Pittsburg; Rev. A. J. Coultas, Providence; T. S. Lippy, Seattle; William Tackaberry, Sioux City; G. W. F. Swartzell, Washington. *Committee of Twenty*, James N. Gamble, *chairman;* Horace Benton, *treasurer;* Summerfield Baldwin, W. H. Beach, H. H. Benedict, Samuel W. Bowne, A. B. Browne, Hanford Crawford, William Deering, John F. Force, M.D., Charles Gibson, N. W. Harris, Durbin Horne, John S. Huyler, James E. Ingram, Francis Magee, J. A. Patten, J. W. Pearsall, A. P. Sloan, George F. Washburn.

THE WOMAN'S COLLEGE, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

THIS high-grade institution for the education of women, was founded at the beginning of the second century of American Methodism. The Methodist Episcopal Church in America began its organic life at the session of the "Christmas Conference" held in Baltimore, Md., 1784.

In recognition of God's mercy and favor, after one hundred years of unexampled prosperity and power, the Woman's College was organized in 1884. It stands as a monument of what God did in one century, with the hope of making God's work more efficient in the centuries to come.

The enterprise owes its origin and character to the high-minded and loyal service of a member of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. It is probable that no minister of our connection has had a higher conception of duty and privilege than the Rev. John Franklin Goucher, D.D. After a careful observation of the interests of Methodism, and as careful a consideration of its needs and its opportunities, this loyal servant of the Church determined upon the foundation of a college for the higher education of women.

In view of the complicated conditions of general social life, and in view, also, of the larger possibilities which the Church affords for the work of women, it was felt by Dr. Goucher both desirable and necessary to have a strictly high-grade institution, affording the most liberal culture for the young womanhood of America. It was also felt by him that the Methodist Episcopal Church should assume some special responsibility in affording advantages in the way of training young womanhood upon the broadest and most practical lines. In all the history of American education, no foundation has been laid more generously and more intelligently than that of the Woman's College.

In order to realize the largest possible results with the resources available, it was determined to offer only one course of study, leading to one academic degree. It was also determined that this course of study should be determined by the needs of women, rather than by the traditions derived from institutions for men. There was no rivalry between the Woman's College and other colleges. It determined to do a distinctive and sensible work, with the hope that the outcome of its activity would be a type of cultured, Christianized and consecrated womanhood. No fads, educational experiments, or pedagogical hobbies, have had a place in the life of the institution. Its founder saw clearly a great need, and determined to adhere rigidly to certain lines, which were laid down in the beginning. For twenty-one years, the college has been in operation. During all these years, more clearly now than at the beginning, the wisdom of Dr. Goucher's purpose has been apparent.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees, held on November 21, 1907, the founder and president of the college presented his resignation as the official head of the institution. The reason back of such action was the impaired health of President Goucher. His persistent attention to the needs of the college, as well as to the other great activities of the Church, had begun to lay too heavy a strain upon him, and he felt that relief from administrative duties would make it possible for him to carry out some cherished plans. The Board of Trustees, with full recognition of what he had done, and what this severance of relations implied, reluctantly accepted President Goucher's resignation. Some anxiety concerning his successor and much discussion followed. The needs of the college were so clearly defined and the qualifications of its president so well known, that every friend of the institution had a sense of concern in reference to Dr. Goucher's successor. The trustees appointed a careful and competent committee to consider the question. The leading ministers and laymen of the Church were interested in the large issues involved in the selection of a suitable man for this important place. During the session of the General Conference in Baltimore, during the month of May, 1908, the trustees determined to invite the Rev. Eugene A. Noble, S.T.D., to the presidency of the Woman's College. Dr. Noble had been peculiarly trained for such an important work. Born in Brooklyn,

N. Y., where he had lived during his early life, having had unusual opportunities to know the business methods and practices of certain large commercial enterprises, then receiving excellent educational training, after which he served several important charges as a minister of the Methodist Church in the New York East Conference, then being appointed superintendent of the first and greatest Methodist Hospital in Brooklyn, at a time when it needed service of a particular sort, then later going to the head-ship of the Seminary of Hackettstown, N. J., where for six years he manifested educational aptitudes which the Church was prompt to recognize, he seemed to be especially qualified for such an opening as was made necessary by the resignation of President Goucher. After serious consideration, Dr. Noble accepted the presidency of the Woman's College, and began his work as its head on July 1, 1908. The comment of many persons, who know him well, and the expressions of confidence in the Church papers far and wide have given friends of the Woman's College assurance that Dr. Noble will devote himself to the interests of his new charge, with tireless energy and with the highest conception of what is involved in the work of Christian education. Dr. Goucher will continue as President Emeritus of the institution, and in all the work which the new president undertakes, he will be advised and helped by the singularly matured experience of his predecessor.

THE FEDERAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AMERICA

Five hundred officially appointed delegates of thirty denominations, at a meeting in Carnegie Hall, New York city, in November, 1905, recommended a Plan of Federation, which has since been adopted by the official action of the National Conferences of Churches representing an aggregate membership of about fifteen millions. The first meeting of the Federal Council was held in Philadelphia, December 2–8, 1908.

1. The following Christian bodies are represented in this Federal Council: Baptist Churches (North), Free Baptist Churches, Negro Baptist Churches, Christian Connection, Congregational Churches, Disciples of Christ, Evangelical Association, Evangelical Synod, Friends, Evangelical Lutheran Church, General Synod, Methodist Episcopal Church, Methodist Episcopal Church (South), Primitive Methodist Church, Colored Methodist Episcopal Church of America, Methodist Protestant Church, African Methodist Episcopal Church, African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, Mennonite Church, Moravian Church, Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Welsh Presbyterian Church, Reformed Presbyterian Church, United Presbyterian Church, Protestant Episcopal Church, Reformed Church in America, Reformed Church in the U. S. A., Reformed Episcopal Church, Seventh Day Baptist Churches, United Brethren in Christ, United Evangelical Church.

2. The object of this Federal Council is: (1) To express the fellowship and catholic unity of the Christian Church. (2) To bring the Christian bodies of America into united service for Christ and the world. (3) To encourage devotional fellowship and mutual counsel concerning the spiritual life and religious activities of the Churches.

(4) To secure a larger combined influence for the Churches of Christ in all matters affecting the moral and social condition of the people, so as to promote the application of the law of Christ in every relation of human life. (5) To assist in the organization of local branches of the Federal Council to promote its aims in their communities.

3. This Federal Council has no authority over the constituent bodies adhering to it; but its province is limited to the expression of its counsel and the recommending of a course of action in matters of common interest to the churches, local councils and individual Christians. It has no authority to draw up a common creed, or form of government or of worship, or in any way to limit the full autonomy of the Christian bodies adhering to it. The officers of the Executive Committee are: *Chairman*, William H. Roberts, D.D.; *Secretary*, E. B. Sanford, D.D. Office, 81 Bible House, New York.

THE DEACONESS WORK OF THE CHURCH

The Diaconate means service; a service of affectionate helpfulness, which has its origin in the fellowship of Christian love. The term usually signifies the activity of the Church in works of mercy and help. Recent usage confines the word Diaconate to the office of assistant at ecclesiastical functions; nevertheless it should be applied to the special vocation, or rather to the office of helping, as distinguished from the office of preaching. Inasmuch as the office of helping has been committed to women, we may speak of a Female Diaconate, or Deaconess Cause. Where a willing service is given for the benefit of a neighbor, without selfish seeking of honor, there we have the original conception of the true Diaconate.

The Biblical justification of the Female Diaconate is to be found, however, in Rom. 16. 1, 2. Paul says: "I commend unto you Phœbe, our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at Cenchrea: That ye receive her in the Lord, as becometh saints, and that ye assist her in whatsoever business she hath need of you, for she herself also hath been a succorer of many and of mine own self." Phœbe was a Deaconess. The Apostle calls her "sister," thereby indicating the community of Christian faith and the relation in which she stood to the Church. Sister Phœbe is therefore the first female incumbent of the office of the Diaconate, which was instituted by the apostles, and her work received apostolic approval. It is gratifying to know that the Methodist Episcopal Church has incorporated the office of the Female Diaconate into her organization, and has thereby acknowledged it as scriptural. In this way the Female Diaconate distinguishes itself from every other organization which practices professional benevolence. The deaconess receives the office as coming from the hand of the Lord, but she accepts it of her own volition, from innermost conviction, compelled by the love of Christ, persuaded of the Lord and his Spirit.

The Discipline of the Methodist Church says: "A Deaconess is a woman who has been led by the Spirit and the providence of God to forego all other pursuits in life that she may devote herself wholly to the Christlike service of doing good; and having received this divine

call, has been tested and trained during a probation of at least two years; and, after such preparation, has been approved by the Church and solemnly set apart to this vocation in the Church. No vow of perpetual service is required of the Deaconess. She renders a free-will service, and, so long as she is in good standing as a Deaconess, is entitled to a suitable support. Her relation as Deaconess being voluntary, she may withdraw from it at any time, but she shall give reasonable notice of her intention. The single aim and controlling purpose of the Deaconess is to minister, as Jesus did, to the wants of a suffering, sorrowing, and sin-laden world. Her work is to visit the sick, pray with the dying, comfort the sorrowing, seek the wandering, save the sinning, relieve the poor, care for the orphan, and to take up other Christlike service." The work of a deaconess is as wide as the need for woman's work in the Church. Deaconesses (1) act as pastors' assistants; (2) visit from house to house; (3) assist in evangelistic work; (4) conduct kindergartens, kitchengardens, and other industrial and educational schools; (5) visit in prisons and police stations; (6) conduct orphanages, hospitals, and other institutions of mercy; (7) assist in office and clerical work as editors, bookkeepers, stenographers, etc; (8) nurse among the sick poor, etc. The deaconess work is marvelously economical in money. It appeals to the business sense of the business man. It invites capital, but still more the consecrated young women of the Church. It commands the confidence of the thoughtful. No money is spent in administration, since the superintendents and most gifted women receive, like the humblest worker, only a simple support. Moreover, it united in the care of body and soul. It is as much the work of a deaconess to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, nurse the sick, find work for the idle, and become a friend to the friendless, as it is to read the Bible and pray, and invite the children to Sunday school. The influence of deaconesses in our midst toward the establishing of hospitals, orphanages, homes for the aged, and houses of mercy of all kinds, has been great.

THE NEW DEACONESS LEGISLATION

At the General Conference of 1904 the appointment of a Commission was ordered for the better organization and unification of the Deaconess Work. At the General Conference of 1908 the report of the Commission was referred to the Deaconess Committee, and after due deliberation, the Committee made some vital changes, but its report was unanimously adopted by the General Conference. The new chapter contains, briefly stated, the following legislation:

1. The Board of Bishops shall have general oversight of the deaconess work of the Church.

2. The General Deaconess Board shall be composed of eleven members, two of whom shall be General Superintendents designated by the Board of Bishops, and nine other members as follows: three at large, and two representatives from each of the three forms of deaconess administration, all to be nominated by the Board of Bishops, and elected quadrennially by the General Conference.

3. In foreign fields under the supervision of General Superintendents there may be a Board composed of the Superintendent in charge, and four other members to be nominated by the Board of Bishops, and elected quadrennially by the General Conference.

4. In a mission field which is under the supervision of Missionary

Bishops, there may be a Board composed of the Missionary Bishops of that field, and four other members, two at large, and two from the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

5. The Annual Conference shall have power to authorize the establishment of any Deaconess Home, provided that during the interim between Conference sessions, any such work may be undertaken with the consent of the Conference Deaconess Board and the General Deaconess Board.

6. The General Deaconess Board is requested to publish in our church papers each year a report or statement in behalf of the deaconess cause, and it may also authorize conventions and other general meetings for the promotion of deaconess work.

7. The final determination of all questions of difference arising between institutions or societies, shall be with the General Deaconess Board.

8. It shall have supervision of all deaconess work throughout the Church, and shall fix the maximum allowance.

9. It shall also adopt the distinctive garb to be worn by all deaconesses throughout the Church, and the Board shall secure legal protection of this garb as the distinctive dress for deaconesses of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

10. Each form of deaconess administration shall be free to employ secretaries in the interest of deaconess work.

11. In each Annual Conference a Deaconess Board of nine members shall be appointed. This Conference Board is authorized to license deaconesses and to transfer them on recommendation of the local Board of a deaconess institution. It shall encourage and promote the establishment and support of deaconess institutions, and see that all charters, deeds, and other conveyances of the property of deaconess homes, conform strictly to the Discipline, and that all property is well insured. This Board may also exercise appellate authority, and its decisions shall stand unless reversed by the General Deaconess Board.

As regards the deaconess herself, the new chapter contains a number of rules which are of great importance. The main regulations are as follows:

1. The Deaconess License may be given only to a candidate who is unmarried, and over twenty-three years of age. She must have given two years of continuous probationary service, and must have passed an examination satisfactory to the Conference Board. She then may be licensed, and is entitled to consecration as deaconess. Her license is to be renewed annually by the Conference Board on the recommendation of the Quarterly Conference with which she is connected.

2. The annual approval of a deaconess by the Annual Conference shall be necessary for her continuance in this vocation, and a deaconess who has resigned or has been discontinued, shall return her License and Certificate of Consecration to the Conference Board, and she shall refrain from wearing the deaconess garb.

3. Any deaconess who has faithfully performed her duties, and wishes to retire from the service, shall receive from the Conference Board a certificate of honorable discharge. Any such deaconess may

be restored to the service by the Conference Board without reëxamination or undergoing a new probation.

4. Each deaconess shall be enrolled as a member of a deaconess institution, or motherhouse, or in the list of deaconesses of one of the three forms of deaconess administration. She may be transferred from one Conference to another, by and with the consent of the two Conference Boards, and she shall receive a Certificate of Transfer.

5. A deaconess employed by the church of which she is a member shall be a member of the Quarterly Conference of such church, and shall report to said Quarterly Conference.

The legislation provides for the retired deaconess in the following way:

1. A deaconess may be retired from active service and placed in the list of retired deaconesses by action of the governing body of the deaconess administration with which she is connected. She shall be entitled to receive from the relief fund of said administration such an allowance as may be determined by the General Deaconess Board.

2. Each deaconess institution shall pay into the Permanent Deaconess Fund of the deaconess administration with which it is connected, ten dollars per annum for each licensed deaconess, and five dollars per annum for each probationer or unlicensed worker. Each Station served by a deaconess shall pay fifteen dollars a year for each licensed deaconess, and ten dollars per year for each probationer or unlicensed deaconess.

Deaconess institutions must be authorized by the Annual Conference, and approved by the General Deaconess Board. All deaconess property must be held in trust for the Methodist Episcopal Church, and each institution which employs deaconesses, or holds property for deaconess uses, within the bounds of an Annual Conference, shall report regularly to its Conference Board at least one month before the meeting of the Conference, and shall furnish such other information as its Conference Board may request.

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DEACONESSES AND THEIR WORK

From the Episcopal Address delivered by Bishop Goodsell to the thirtieth General Conference of our Church in May, 1908, in Baltimore, Md., we take the following:

"Our deaconess work began in Germany in 1873, twelve years before its foundation in America, and the deaconesses in German jurisdiction now number about 375. The American work rose independently and has been developed from several centers under different societies, until it appears that 612 deaconesses and probationers are at work at home, and 373 abroad, a total of 985 deaconesses and 446 probationers. The regard which the Church has for deaconess work is shown by the consecration in the last quarter of a century, to their use, of $3,935,998, an increase for the quadrennium of $312,719. Deducting debt, the property devoted to their use amounts to $3,482,373.

"For this work, for those who maintain it, and for those who do it, we have only words of praise. They have revived dying churches, and schools almost extinct. They have rescued hundreds of young girls from lives of shame, while watching the incoming trains in great cities. They mother the little children of orphan asylums. In our hospitals, they bless the sick and injured by their wise and gentle care and are blessed in turn by those they help to returning health, and by the dying who see their faces as the last object of their earthly vision. God bless them all."

Methodist Episcopal Deaconess Society.—Organized 1895. A majority of the Board of Trustees must be deaconesses. Object: To hold such property as may fall to the deaconesses till other arrangements can be made. Present Headquarters, 57 Washington Street, Chicago.

THE METHODIST DEACONESS ASSOCIATION

A large part of the deaconess work in the Methodist Episcopal Church of America has been drawn together into a helpful federation, under the name of The Methodist Deaconess Association. The institutions thus affiliated find a common bond in that each owns exclusive allegiance to the General Deaconess Board, created by the General Conference of 1908 at Baltimore. (See 207, Sec. 1, Discipline of 1908.)

Historical and Explanatory.—The history of the institutions now coöperating in the Association, dates back to the very beginning of American Methodist deaconess work. In October, 1885, the Chicago Training School for Missions was founded by J. S. Meyer and his wife,

Mrs. Lucy Rider Meyer. The deaconess movement in American Methodism previously advocated by Bishop Thoburn and others took form among the leaders and students of this school, and in June, 1887, the first deaconess home was established in Chicago. The Chicago Training School was founded by a committee composed of representatives from the Chicago Preachers' Meeting, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and Mr. J. S. Meyer and his wife, Mrs. Lucy Rider Meyer, who were requested to take charge of the same. In May, 1888, the General Conference sanctioned the movement. Six months later, Cincinnati organized the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Association, and was closely followed by New York, Boston, and Minneapolis. The institutions of the Association now stretch across the entire continent, from Seattle to Boston.

The organization of the Association proper took place at Baltimore, in May, 1908, growing out of an informal "Committee of Coöperation" which had been created at the Chicago Deaconess Convention, July, 1907. The Association was created because friends of the general deaconess work who had gathered in the General Conference city, were deeply impressed with the need of a coöperative organization between institutions organized exclusively under the General Deaconess Board, by means of which there could be closer affiliation in questions of general interest, and by which could be secured conferences, inter-communication and coöperation. The Association is a federation, and has not in itself administrative powers, but it has already shown marked vitality and through it there has come an ability to meet more adequately the enormous responsibilities and great opportunities now facing the Church in the immense field before this department of deaconess work.

General Conference Recognition.—It rarely happens that an organization of the Church has met such prompt recognition by the General Conference as the Association. Its birthday as an organization was May 14, and before the close of the month it was recognized in the legislation on deaconess work which passed the General Conference and is incorporated in the new chapter on deaconesses.

Finances.—The institutions of the Association hold property to the value of $2,506,800, all being used in this great work. The total current expenses of the institutions of the Association amount to $396,047.

Typical Development.—There is perhaps no department of church activity so surcharged with vitality as the deaconess work. It could hardly be otherwise, since the deaconess is the arm through which, to a very large extent, the Church expresses its real heart of love toward the poor and sick and needy and orphan in her midst. Methodism has always been deeply concerned for the poor but it had not the proper agencies for manifesting its concern till the deaconess came. In the deaconess movement, women left the places in which their life was not being used to its fullest capacity and volunteered for any work the Church had to be done. Deaconesses give themselves unconditionally to the work of God and the Church, and find in return fields broad enough to engage the best effort of the most gifted, most highly cultured woman. Whatever work lies most urgently near, that the deaconess does—church visiting, nursing, teaching, organizing

schools, homes, hospitals or settlements, caring for children, etc., etc. The only limitations to deaconess work result from lack in number and strength of workers. By the gifts and coöperation of friends, whatever institutions are necessary for the prosecution of her work rise for her use. As illustrative of this vitality we may take Chicago, the city in which the movement originated. In this city there arose: 1. The Training School wherein 192 women are studying. 2. The Deaconess Home, the center from which 31 women work. 3. The Orphanage, sheltering 135 homeless children. 4. The Old People's Home, in which 59 aged saints are tenderly cared for. 5. Two settlements, where is being demonstrated the fact that genuine settlement work and genuine Methodism are not incompatible. 6. A great Fresh Air work with two cottages, reaching multitudes of children. 7. Wesley Hospital, which was a direct result of deaconess work, though at present it is not connected with the Order. 8. A Rest Home, and a Camp Meeting Home.

Results Achieved.—The following summary will give some idea of the great and far-reaching results achieved during the past year in the work of the institutions of the Association:

Total calls made	159,230
Sick nursed in hospitals	8,036
Sick poor nursed in homes	1,072
Aggregate children taught in industrial schools	76,207
Number of children in orphanages	260
Students in training: Biblical and hospital	590
Deaconesses and probationers enrolled	590

Publications.—The official organ of the Association is *The Deaconess Advocate*, monthly; 57 East Washington Street, Chicago, Ill. Circulation 30,000. Lucy Rider Meyer and Mary Alice Hoover, editors; J. S. Meyer, publisher. Subscription price, 50 cents single copy, 25 cents in clubs of ten. The Association also publishes leaflets and booklets on a large variety of Deaconess and Training School subjects. The editor of this department is Miss Hoover. Orders filled or samples furnished on request.

Districts.—The territory is divided by the Association into six Districts as follows: First—New York city and Verbank, N. Y.; Boston and Fall River, Mass.; Providence, R. I. Second—Cincinnati and College Hill, O. (affiliated with Woman's Home Missionary Society); Jeffersonville and Rensselaer, Ind.; Louisville, Ky. Third—Chicago, Aurora, Lake Bluff, Normal, Peoria, Quincy, Havana and Watseka, Ill. Fourth—Saint Louis and Saint Joseph, Mo.; Omaha and Blair, Neb.; Pueblo, Colo. Fifth—Minneapolis, Minn.; Milwaukee and Black Earth, Wis. Sixth—Great Falls, Mont.; Seattle, Spokane and Tacoma, Wash.; Portland, Ore.

Permanent Deaconess Fund.—In addition to the annual dues for the deaconesses of the Association, toward this Fund for retired and disabled deaconesses, amounting now to about $3,500 a year, energetic efforts are being made to secure gifts by which this Fund may be increased to a sum entirely adequate for the purpose.

Board of Managers.—The Board of Managers of the Methodist Deaconess Association consists of two persons from each deaconess

organization, one of whom is a superintendent of a deaconess institution or her chosen representative, the other a lay officer of such institution. The licensed deaconesses elect additional members from their own number in the ratio of one for every forty-five or fraction thereof.

Officers.—*President*, James N. Gamble, Union Trust Building, Cincinnati; *First Vice-President*, Mrs. Iva D. Vennard; *Second Vice-President*, R. S. Douglass; *Treasurer*, John S. Huyler, 64 Irving Place, New York city; *Secretary*, Lucy Rider Meyer, 4949 Indiana Avenue, Chicago; *Recording Secretary*, Bertha Barber, Young Woman's School, Aurora, Ill.

Executive Committee.—N. W. Harris, Mrs. Sarah H. Knight, Mrs. A. P. McLaughlin, Mrs. E. F. Stafford, Rev. H. C. Weakley, Augusta Ariss, Mrs. M. S. Kohler, T. A. Hildreth, Dr. F. M. North, G. Warren Brown. NOTE—The officers are *ex officio* members of the Executive Committee.

Finance Committee.—James N. Gamble, R. S. Douglass, N. W. Harris, G. Warren Brown, John S. Huyler.

THE DEACONESS DEPARTMENT OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

MRS. ANNIE WITTENMEYER, Bishop Simpson, and others, may be mentioned as the pioneers in urging the introduction of deaconess work into American Methodism. Bishop Thoburn, our great missionary bishop, in 1886, at Bellefontaine, O., urged the adoption of deaconess workers into the Methodism of America, and Mrs. Dr. R. S. Rust, in October, 1887, in her annual address, commended the work of women as deaconesses. It was during the summer of 1887 that Mr. J. S. Meyer and Mrs. Lucy Rider Meyer invited such of their students as wished to remain to give their time to missionary labors during the summer, assuming the name of deaconesses, and in the fall when the school opened again a flat was rented. Thus the work practically began in American Methodism. Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, who had spent the years 1886-88 in Europe, had become familiar with the deaconess work of Methodism in Germany, where she had carefully studied the movement, as also in Switzerland, France, and the Mildmay work in North London. Returning to America, she attended the annual meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Boston in November, 1888, at which time the society appointed a Committee on Deaconess Work, with Miss Bancroft (now Mrs. George O. Robinson) as its chairman. In the following year the authority of the committee was enlarged, and a Deaconess Bureau was created, which today has connected with it nearly one third of the deaconess work of entire Methodism.

From the year of the endorsement of the deaconess work by the General Conference of 1888 until 1904, Mrs. Robinson was secretary of the Deaconess Bureau of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. During these sixteen years of strenuous labor the Deaconess Department grew to such a magnitude as to require a division of labor. Mrs. Robinson then asked to be relieved of these heavy responsibilities and, in consequence, upon her recommendation, five new Deaconess Bureaus and one Standing Committee were formed from the existing work. The results of the past four years have proved the wisdom of

this enlargement of administration. Each Bureau Secretary reports to the General Superintendent of Deaconess Work the Homes under her care and thus is formed a close organization through which are presented the details of this service, also the needs in various towns and cities.

Deaconess Department.—The Deaconess Department of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is composed of its General Superintendent, the Deaconess Assistant, the Auditor, five Bureaus of Work and their Secretaries, and a Standing Committee on National Training Schools with its Chairman.

The general officers are: *General Superintendent*, Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft; *Deaconess Assistant*, Mrs. Margaret D. Moors; *Auditor*, Mr. John S. McConnell. Office, 21 Adams Avenue, East, Detroit, Mich.

The Eastern Deaconess Bureau includes all deaconess work east of the Genesee, the Erie, and the Pittsburg Conferences. The Secretary for this Bureau is Mrs. W. L. Boswell, 644 North 32d Street, Philadelphia, Pa. In this Bureau are Homes located at Utica, N. Y., Portland, Me., Brooklyn, N. Y., Jersey City, N. J., Philadelphia, Pa. Washington, D. C., Albany, N. Y., New Haven, Conn., Newark, N. J., Wilmington, Del., and Martinsburg, W. Va.

Besides, in this Bureau, in the city of Washington, is located the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School for Missionaries and Deaconesses; Sibley Hospital, under direct control and supervision of deaconesses, and in which the nurse deaconesses are trained, and the Rosedale Mission Settlement, in which live two deaconesses who care for the interests of the surrounding neighborhood. In the Homes of Brooklyn and of New Haven are Conference Training Schools. Also, in this Bureau there are six Deaconess Stations.

The Central Deaconess Bureau includes the Conferences west of the above mentioned Conferences, and all east of the eastern boundary of Illinois. *Secretary*, Mrs. F. J. Mund, 4800 Broadway, Cleveland, O.

In this Bureau are Homes located at Pittsburg, Pa., Bridgeport, O., Cleveland, O., Detroit, Mich., Buffalo, N. Y., Columbus, O., Toledo, O., and Grand Rapids, Mich.

Besides there are permanent Deaconess Settlements in Cleveland, O., and Detroit, Mich. There have also been during the past year six Deaconess Stations in this Bureau. In connection with the Home at Grand Rapids is a large and important Conference Training School for Missionaries.

The Western Deaconess Bureau includes all deaconess work west of the eastern boundary of Illinois to the western boundary of Colorado. The *Secretary* for this Bureau is Mrs. John W. Bush, 2762 Charlotte Avenue, Kansas City, Mo. In this Bureau are located deaconess institutions at Urbana, Ill., Duluth, Minn., Des Moines, Ia., Kansas City, Mo., Denver, Colo., Keokuk, Ia., Saint Paul, Minn., Sioux City, Ia., Springfield, Mo., and Colorado Springs, Colo.

At Kansas City, Mo., the institution is a National Training School for missionaries and deaconesses, while the one at Des Moines, Ia., is a Conference Training School for the same classes of workers. Both Schools have large and valuable property.

At Colorado Springs, Colo., and at Springfield, Mo., the institutions are Hospitals doing valuable work, while the one at Urbana, Ill., is an excellent Orphanage. In this Bureau are many Deaconess Stations where but one or two are carrying forward the work as mission workers.

The deaconess work of Utah, including the Davis Deaconess Home at Salt Lake City, and Stations at Ogden, Provo and Maroni, has been for some years administered by the Bureau for Utah and will remain under its care. There are six licensed deaconesses in the state, who serve in different cities. Utah is a purely mission field, whose *Secretary* is Mrs. B. S. Potter, of Evanston, Ill.

The Pacific Coast Deaconess Bureau includes all the Conferences lying west of the meridian marking the western boundary of Colorado, exclusive of the state of Utah. The *Secretary* for this Bureau is Mrs. John Stephens, 1143 Centre Street, Stockton, Cal.

The Bureau for the Pacific Coast has Homes in San Francisco and Los Angeles. The San Francisco Home is in connection with the San Francisco National Training School, which institution supplies most of the workers for the Pacific Coast. There are also in this Bureau many Deaconess Stations scattered from Oregon to Southern California.

The Bureau for Colored Deaconess Work includes all the deaconess work among the colored people under the care of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The *Secretary* of this Bureau is Mrs. M. E. Mason, 2231 Saint James Avenue, Cincinnati, O.

The National Training School Committee is the representative of the Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, having charge of the National Training Schools at Washington, Kansas City, and San Francisco. The *Chairman* of the Committee is Mrs. D. A. Minard, 718 Elmwood Avenue, Buffalo, N. Y.

Permanent Deaconess Fund.—There is a Standing Committee that has charge of this noble Fund. The *Custodian* is Mrs. Margaret D. Moors, 53 Elizabeth Street, West, Detroit, Mich.

By the action of the General Conference of 1908 each deaconess institution is to pay into the Permanent Deaconess Fund of the form of deaconess administration to which it belongs, $10 per year for each licensed deaconess, and $5 per year for each probationer. Each deaconess station is to pay $15 per year for each licensed deaconess, and $10 per year for each probationer or unlicensed deaconess.

In addition, in the Woman's Home Missionary Society, each Conference Society is asked to secure $100 a year outside of the regular Auxiliaries of the Society, to pay into the Fund.

The Society has five Rest Homes for missionaries and deaconesses, the Bancroft Rest Home at Ocean Grove, N. J., being the largest, and, at present, regarded as the Home for superannuated deaconesses. Upon the Pacific Coast is the Wing Rest Home at Long Beach, belonging to the Los Angeles Deaconess Home. The following statistics which were collected with great care from the reports sent us are of interest and value.

The total value of the property owned by deaconess institutions of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is $1,097,048.88. The number of licensed deaconesses, 302; probationers, 89; students, 258; Hospitals, 4; Hospital Departments, 2; 3 National and 3 Conference Training Schools.

The organ of the deaconess work of the Society is *Woman's Home Missions*, a portion of each number dealing exclusively with the work of deaconesses and their interests. Price, 35 cents per year. Office, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York city.

GERMAN DEACONESS WORK IN THE UNITED STATES

The German Methodist Deaconess Homes and Hospitals in the United States are under the supervision of the German Central Deaconess Board. This Board was organized in 1897 in Cincinnati, and every German Annual Conference in the United States is represented by one preacher and one layman. In addition, every Deaconess Home is represented by one delegate for every fifteen consecrated deaconesses, but every Home is entitled to at least one representative. For several years the Board met annually, but since 1900 it meets every other year in Cincinnati, O. The functions of this body are to prescribe uniform regulations for admittance, training, costume, work, and discharge of deaconesses; also to create and maintain an Endowment Fund for the support of disabled and superannuated deaconesses. Since the organization of this Board, every Home has paid into this Fund $10 per annum for every deaconess in full connection, and in this way about $10,000 have been accumulated up to the present time. Two years ago, Mr. John Kolbe, treasurer of the German Deaconess Motherhouse in Cincinnati, gave an ideal and centrally located Rest Home, surrounded by 18 acres of ground in Wyoming, a suburb of Cincinnati. The property is valued at $20,000, and it is the intention also to erect a Home here for the superannuated deaconesses.

At present the German Central Deaconess Board has homes and hospitals in the following cities in the United States: The Deaconess Motherhouse and Bethesda Hospital in Cincinnati, with its Maternity Hospital, and Home for Convalescents at "Scarlet Oaks"; the Bethany Deaconess Home and Hospital in Brooklyn, N. Y.; a Deaconess Hospital in Louisville, Ky.; a Deaconess Home in Chicago, Ill.; a Deaconess Home in Milwaukee, Wis.; a Deaconess Home in Kansas City, Kan.; a Deaconess Home in Saint Paul, Minn.; a Station in La Crosse, Wis.; a Station in Allentown, Pa., and a Station at Kirksville, Mo. The total value of the property amounts to $475,000, and the income and disbursements of last year were $75,341,41. Total number of deaconesses 95, including probationers. The work comprises, besides hospital service, nursing in private houses, parish work, kindergartens, nurseries, sewing schools, etc. The deaconesses are instructed in the following course of study: 1. German and English Grammar; 2. Bible History; 3. Church History; 4. Catechism; 5. History of Methodism; 6. History of the Deaconess Movement in the Christian Church (Golder); 7. How to Bring Men to Christ (Torrey); 8. The Life of Christ; 9. Manual of Nursing; 10. Materia Medica; 11. forty lectures annually from the staff physicians; 12. course of Bible lectures by the city pastors.

Several months ago, Mr. E. H. Huenefeld, a member of the Deaconess Motherhouse Board in Cincinnati, donated to Bethesda Hospital "Scarlet Oaks," a property of 45 acres in one of the finest suburbs in Cincinnati. The property is valued at $100,000. The beautiful house of 35 rooms is at present converted into a Home for Convalescents. Rev. Christian Golder, the president of the German Central Deaconess Board since its inception, has been induced during the last year to give all of his time to the development of the institutions of the Deaconess Motherhouse in Cincinnati, and as the General Conference in 1908 has authorized the appointment of a General Superintendent the German Deaconess Board elected him unanimously to this office in November, 1908. Dr. C. Golder has written two valuable

books: The History of the Deaconess Movement in the Christian Church (published by Jennings & Graham, Cincinnati, O., price, $1.75), and The Deaconess Motherhouse in its Relation to the Deaconess Work. Price, 75 cents. Both books can be had at the Methodist Book stores. The German Central Deaconess Board publishes a bi-monthly paper of 16 pages, named *Bethesda*. Price, 25 cents. Address Deaconess Motherhouse, corner Hunt and Oak Streets, Cincinnati, O.

The officers of the German Central Deaconess Board are: *President*, Bishop J. L. Nuelsen, D.D., Omaha, Neb.; *Vice-President*, Rev. J. G. Schaal, Cincinnati, O.; *Secretary*, D. B. Meyer, Cincinnati, O.; *Treasurer*, Rev. O. Rogatzky, Columbus, O.; *General Superintendent*, Rev. C. Golder, D.D., Cincinnati, O.

Bethany Deaconess Association of our Church in Germany.—This Association of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Germany was organized in 1874. The organization has Deaconess Homes in three Conferences in Germany and Switzerland, and two Deaconess Motherhouses, one located in Frankfort-on-the-Main, and the other in Hamburg. The one in Frankfort is the oldest institution of the Society, but the Hamburg Home is larger and has more property. The name of the Association is "Bethanien Verein," with headquarters at Frankfort-on-the-Main. Its purpose is to educate and utilize deaconesses for charity and deaconess work. The Board of Managers consists of eleven Methodist preachers, and four licensed deaconesses. The president and the superintendent, or inspector as he is called, devote their whole time to the management of the institutions. The Association publishes a monthly paper called Bethania. The Branch Homes are in Berlin, Strassburg, Karlsruhe, Pforzheim, Vienna, Chemnitz, Zeurich, Saint Gallen, and Lausanne. The two Rest Homes of the Society are in Neuenheim near Frankfort-on-the-Main, and in Volksdorf near Hamburg. Here the deaconesses take their vacations, and here they are taken care of in case of disability and old age. The property of the Association is valued at $650,000, with an indebtedness of $200,000. The number of deaconesses is three hundred and forty-five, including probationers. *President*, Rev. H. Mann, Frankfort-on-the-Main; *Superintendent*, Rev. C. Schell, Hamburg.

Martha Maria Society in Germany.—This Society was organized in 1890 by several pastors of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Southern Germany. Twelve years ago, this branch of the Methodist Church of England was consolidated with the Methodist Episcopal Church. It was found advisable not to consolidate the Martha Maria Society with the Bethany Society of our church in Germany, spoken of elsewhere. Although two different organizations, they work in harmony with each other. They are responsible to their respective Conferences, and the superintendent, or inspector as he is called in Germany, is appointed by the presiding bishop at the request of the Conference to which he belongs. The Martha Maria Society has a Deaconess Motherhouse, with Hospital in Nuernberg, and has Branch Homes in Magdeburg, Munich, Heilbron, Cologne, and Siegen. It also has a Rest Home at Rupprechtsstegen in Bavaria. The number of deaconesses is 135, and the property is valued at $160,000. The Hospital connected with the Motherhouse in Nuernberg has 80 beds, and is thoroughly modern in all of its equipments. Rev. G. A. Schneider is the superintendent of the 7 Homes of the Martha Maria Society.

Name and Location of Deaconess Institutions	Year of Establishment	Value of Property and Endowment	Debt	Licensed Deaconesses	Probationers	Stations	Students taking Biblical Training, Not included in Probationers	Students taking Nurse Training, Not included in Probationers	Sick Nursed in Hospitals	Sick Nursed in Homes	Calls of all Kinds Made	Aggregate Number of Children Taught in Industrial Schools	Current Expenses for Fiscal Year
Aurora, Ill.													
Jennings Seminary, Bertha A. Barber, Prin	1898	$60,000 00	$.....	8	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	$17,617 87
Boston, Mass.													
New England Deaconess Home, 691–693 Massachusetts Ave., Mary A. Taggart, Supt	1889	18,000 00	5,000 00	24	13	....	....	....	....	241	21,869	1,120	6,407 00
New England Deaconess Hospital, 175 Bellevue St., A. A. Betts, Supt	1896	178,600 00	40,000 00	2	2	....	....	27	524	9	....	....	23,134 00
Bible Training School, 175 Bellevue St., Orianna F. Harding, Prin	1891	21,000 00	8,700 00	3	23	....	5	....	....	....	5,435	1,698	3,740 00
Fresh Air Cottage	....	7,500 00	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2,436 49
Chicago, Ill.													
Chicago Deaconess Home, 273 East Erie St., Ida A. Jordan, Supt	1887												
Lincoln Street Institutional Church and Settlement	1904												
New Lenox Fresh Air Camp	1901												
Des Plaines Cottage	1901	27,200 00	.....	21	11	....	....	....	....	43	33,716	7,778	6,730 00
Halsted Street Institutional Church and Settlement, Isabelle Horton, Supt	1904												
Statistics of Deaconess Department, Chicago Training School, 4949 Indiana Ave	1885	.....	.....	9	96	....	107	....	....	....	6,379	5,331	.....
Methodist Episcopal Old People's Home, 975 Foster Ave., Isabelle A. Reeves, Supt	1898	113,000 00	.....	3	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	10,100 00
Cincinnati, O.													
Christ's Hospital, Mount Auburn, Alice M. Thatcher, Supt	1889												
The Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home, Wesley Ave. Phrone Powell, Supt	1888												
Missionary Training School, Harriet L. Kemper, Supt	1888	600,000 00	.....	50	18	....	14	47	1,345	80	21,528	35,250	82,000 00
Rest Home, Lakeside	1900												
Rest Home, Epworth Heights	1892												
Methodist Home for the Aged, Rev. H. C. Weakley, D.D., Supt	1899	273,976 00	41,500 00	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	10,380 00
Fall River, Mass.													
Fall River Deaconess Home, 825 Second St., Mrs. Eva C. Frields, Supt	1894	79,000 00	.....	7	3	2	....	....	.....	73	3,646	4,696	5,942 30

Great Falls, Mont.													
Montana Deaconess Hospital, E. Augusta Ariss, Supt	1902	70,000 00	10,000 00	15	10	1	....	16	516	30	....	....	12,214 39
Lake Bluff, Ill.													
Aged Deaconess Sanitarium, Mary Jefferson, Supt	1895	13,000 00	.... ..	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2,391 32
Methodist Deaconess Orphanage, Lucy J. Judson, Supt	1894	59,000 00	.... ..	10	3	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	13,342 89
Milwaukee, Wis.													
Milwaukee Deaconess Home, 186 Biddle St., Meda Robertson, Acting Supt	1893	14,300 00	.... ..	4	2	2	....	....	....	17	5,610	1,462	2,200 00
Minneapolis, Minn.													
Asbury and Rebecca Methodist Episcopal Deaconess Hospital and Home, corner Ninth St. and Ninth Ave., South. Deaconess Work, Sybil C. Palmer, Supt. Hospital, Mrs. S. H. Knight, Supt	1892	195,000 00	.... ..	12	6	....	1	35	1,550	9	3,741	....	45,971 50
New York, N. Y.													
New York Deaconess Home, 1175 Madison Ave., Mrs. Lavinia G. Hambley, Supt Training School, 1175 Madison Ave., Bertha Morrison, Prin Working Girls' Home, 327 East Seventeenth St., K. M. Schnert, Supt Rest Cottage, Long Branch	1889	100,000 00	.... ..	37	10	....	10	....	....	2	3,035	3,020	18,000 00
Normal, Ill.													
N. A. Mason Deaconess Home and Baby Fold, Mrs. T. W. Asher, Supt	1905	3,500 00	.... ..	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2,081 46
Omaha, Neb.													
Nebraska Methodist Episcopal Hospital and Deaconess Home, Mrs. A. P. McLaughlin, Supt	1891	210,000 00	25,000 00	12	8	....	....	50	964	242	6,447	1,500	23,244 00
Peoria, Ill.													
Deaconess Home and Hospital	1891	63,000 00	20,000 00	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Providence, R. I.													
Providence Deaconess Home, 26 Bridgham St., Blanche L. Baker, Supt	1895	6,000 00	5,000 00	5	2	1	....	....	....	....	4,552	1,480	1,927 00
Pueblo, Cal.													
Pueblo Deaconess Home, Anna Burgess, Supt	1898	3,500 00	.... ..	9	5	1	....	....	....	....	3,728	48	1,885 00
Quincy, Ill.													
Chaddock Boys' School, Eleanor A. Tobie, Supt	1900	125,000 00	10,000 00	7	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	125	28,000 00
Rensselaer, Ind.													
Monnett Girls' School, Mrs. Etta Briggs Wilson, Supt	1907	15,000 00	.... ..	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	756 00
Saint Louis, Mo.													
Epworth Evangelistic Institute, 3019 Bell Ave., Mrs. Iva Durham Mennard, Prin	1902	42,000 00	21,000 00	15	45	13	5	1	....	180	12,675	6,600	10,371 48
Seattle, Wash.													
Seattle General Hospital, E. H. Hall, Supt. (No report given for 1908; operated by Seattle Deaconess Home Association)	....	.... ..	.... ..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Oscar Carr Memorial Deaconess Home and Training School, Anna Cady, Supt	1903	8,000 00	600 00	7	....	....	3	....	....	8	4,564	....	2,140 29

METHODIST DEACONESS ASSOCIATION—*Continued*

Name and Location of Deaconess Institutions	Year of Establishment	Value of Property and Endowment	Debt	Licensed Deaconesses	Probationers	Stations	Students taking Biblical Training. Not included in Probationers	Students taking Nurse Training. Not included in Probationers	Sick Nursed in Hospitals	Sick Nursed in Homes	Calls of all Kinds Made	Aggregate Number of Children Taught in Industrial Schools	Current Expenses for Fiscal Year
Spokane, Wash.													
Maria Beard Home, Mary J. Comstock, Supt.													
Deaconess Hospital, Mary J. Comstock, Supt.	1896	$68,500 00	$.... ..	4	....	....	....	33	960	25	....	....	$38,000 00
Deaconess Rest Home, Clara A. Brown, Supt.													
Deaconess Old People's Home, Rochester Heights (P. O., Hillyard, Wash.), Mary A. Curnick, Supt.	1890	5,000 00	.... ..	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,701 19
Verbank, N. Y.													
Watts de Peyster Home for Invalid Children, Florence Mahin, Supt.	1897	45,300 00	.... ..	4	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	2,500	1,879 38
Total	....	2,151,800 00	145,300 00	299	281	20	148	180	5,859	1,052	169,230	76,220	368,272 40
Stations													
Anatone, Wash.	....	$.... ..	$.... ..	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	750	....	$.... ..
Attleboro, Mass.	....	.... ..	.... ..	1	....	....	....	....	....	3	1,186	....	.... ..
Brazil	....	.... ..	.... ..	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,366	....	.... ..
Burlington, Ia.†	....	.... ..	.... ..	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Bloomington, Ill.†	....	.... ..	.... ..	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Chicago, Ill.*	....	.... ..	.... ..	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Coffeyville, Kan.†	....	.... ..	.... ..	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Chanute, Kan.†	....	.... ..	.... ..	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Dubuque, Ia.	....	.... ..	.... ..	1	....	....	....	....	....	30	1,800	200	.... ..
Freeport, Ill.	....	.... ..	.... ..	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	2,050	1,025	.... ..
Fairfield, Ia.	....	.... ..	.... ..	....	1	....	....	....	....	2	1,064	....	.... ..
Finleyville, Pa.*	....	.... ..	.... ..	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Greencastle, Ind.	....	.... ..	.... ..	1	1	....	....	....	....	14	6,567	....	.... ..
Havana, Ill.	....	1,400 00	.... ..	....	....	....	....	4	....	....	....	104	.... ..
Jeffersonville, Ind.	....	.... ..	.... ..	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4,058 84
Ligonier, Ind.*	....	.... ..	.... ..	1	....	....	....	....	....	10	670	40	.... ..
Muncie, Ind.*	....	.... ..	.... ..	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Mason City, Ia.†	....	.... ..	.... ..	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Madison, Wis.	....	.... ..	.... ..	2	....	....	....	....	....	14	2,019	....	.... ..
Ottumwa, Ia.†	....	.... ..	.... ..	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..

Oshkosh, Wis	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	2,038	508	....	..
Peoria, Ill	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	1,704	....	....	..
Quincy, Ill	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,492	....	....	..
Rock Island, Ill	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	5	2,194	....	....	..
Red Oak, Ia	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	2	924	....	....	..
Stockwell, Ind	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	4	1,435	990	....	..
Salina, Kan	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,366	....	....	..
Topeka, Kan.†	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..
Urbana, Ill	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	600	....	....	..
Valley City, N. D	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,400	....	....	..
Wausau, Wis	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	7	1,680	745	....	..
Total	....	1,400 00	....	27	8	....	....	4	....	91	32,305	3,612	4,058	84

* Leave of absence. † Not reported.

DEACONESS WORK OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Aldrich Memorial Deaconess Home and Training School, 401 Lyon St., Grand Rapids, Mich	[20]1891 1897	$23,000 00	1,000 00	7	10	....	14	1	....	742	6,566	529	$1,429 44
Baltimore Deaconess Home, Mount Tabor Industrial Building, 1301 Madison Ave., Baltimore, Md.[1]	1902	30,000 00	4,450 00	11	1	....	1	....	50	7	12,381	906	3,105 00
Bancroft Rest Home, 74 Cookman Ave., Ocean Grove, N. J.*[2]	1896	7,500 00	.... ..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3,157 02
Bidwell Deaconess Home and Iowa Bible Training School, 1155 West Ninth St., Des Moines, Ia.[3]	1892	17,000 00	1,100 00	9	6	....	35	....	....	84	8,037	250	4,241 17
Brooklyn Deaconess Home and Training School, 238 President St., Brooklyn, N. Y.†[4]	1892	35,000 00 [29]10,000 00	.... ..	15	7	18	7	....	....	41	34,621	....	6,000 00
Caroline Rest Home, Round Lake, N. Y.*[5]	1899	300 00	.... ..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4 62
Central Ohio Conference Deaconess Home and Hospital, 2364 Robinwood Ave., Toledo, O.[6]	[27]1903 1906	.... ..	.... ..	4	....	....	....	....	210	87	482	22	8,000 00
Cleveland Deaconess Home, 1904 Woodland Ave., S. E., Cleveland, O.[7]	1890	25,000 00 [30]4,896 78	6,000 00	17	8	1	1	2	....	....	15,000	500	6,000 00
Colorado Conference Deaconess Home, or Margaret Evans Deaconess Home, 1630 Ogden St., Denver, Colo.[8]	1898	16,000 00	6,500 00	6	3	3	....	....	....	35	20,925	....	957 19
Colorado Springs Sanitarium, Colorado Springs, Colo	1903	15,000 00	3,000 00	2	....	....	....	8	211	10	209	....	8,264 08
Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage, Urbana, Ill.[9]	1895	26,000 00	.... ..	1	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	75	5,882 77
Davis Deaconess Home, 347 East Fourth St., Salt Lake City, Utah	1895	20,000 00	.... ..	7	1	1	....	....	....	29	3,974	....	891 93
Detroit Deaconess Home, Tillman Avenue Mission, 53 Elizabeth St., West, Detroit, Mich.[10]	1889	14,000 00 7,000 00 [31]865 98	.... ..	[34]11 1	5	....	4	....	....	....	21,738	500	5,197 32
Dwight W. Blakeslee Deaconess Home, 576 George St., New Haven, Conn.[11]	1905	8,000 00	.... ..	4	1	....	1	....	....	....	8,539	....	1,465 14
Ellen A. Burge Deaconess Hospital, 1327 North Jefferson St., Springfield, Mo	1906	35,000 00	.... ..	1	2	....	....	3	207	1	....	....	8,053 72
Elvira Olney Rest Home, Ludington Heights, Mich.*[12]	1900	512 50	.... ..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	422 34
Genesee Conference Deaconess Home, or Buffalo Deaconess Home, 292 Niagara St., Buffalo, N. Y	1890	27,500 00 [32]8,000 00	8,000 00	10	3	1	1	1	....	....	10,366	[38]33	3,448 24

DEACONESS WORK OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY—*Continued*

NAME AND LOCATION OF DEACONESS INSTITUTIONS	Year of Establishment	Value of Property and Endowment	Debt	Licensed Deaconesses	Probationers	Stations	Students taking Biblical Training. Not included in Probationers	Students taking Nurse Training. Not included in Probationers	Sick Nursed in Hospitals	Sick Nursed in Homes	Calls of all Kinds Made	Aggregate Number of Children Taught in Industrial Schools	Current Expenses for Fiscal Year
Graham Protestant Hospital, Fifteenth and Fulton Sts., Keokuk, Ia	1901	$18,000 00	$.....	2	..	....	....	....	334	6	36	....	$6,549 46
Holloway Deaconess Home, Bridgeport, O	1903	10,000 00	.....	5	3	1	2	....	....	....	14,278	381	2,290 59
Jersey City Deaconess Home, 246 Summit Ave., Jersey City, N. J.†[13]	1898	17,000 00	.....	9	2	1	....	....	....	....	8,273	395	1,651 09
Kansas City National Training School and Deaconess Home, corner East Fifteenth St. and Denver Ave., Kansas City, Mo.	1899	75,000 00	.....	6	4	....	41	....	10	19	16,940	....	6,609 39
Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School (Bible Department), Sibley Memorial Hospital (Nurse Training Department), 1150 North Capitol St., Washington, D. C	1894	250,000 00	10,354 38	5	4	....	[36] 12 47	49	1,004	28	....	....	47,130 88
Methodist Episcopal Hospital and Deaconess Home of State of Indiana, Indianapolis, Ind	1905	200,000 00	30,000 00 [35]	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Newark Deaconess Home, 508 Market St., Newark, N. J	1899	8,000 00	7,000 00	4	2	3	....	....	....	19	5,588	....	1,826 73
Ohio Conference Deaconess Home, 562 Franklin Ave., Columbus, O.[14]	1899	1,500 00	.....	7	....	....	....	....	....	....	6,091	804	2,375 79
Open Door Mission and E. W. Griffin Deaconess Home, 3 Columbia Place, Albany, N. Y	1899	3,500 00 8,000 00	.....	6	....	....	....	....	4	25	4,669	458	2,000 00
Philadelphia Deaconess Home, 611 Vine St., Philadelphia, Pa.[15]	1889	36,500 00 15,000 00	.....	10	2	....	[37] 1 1	....	....	112	18,456	13,958	7,962 45
Pittsburg Deaconess Home, 2000 Fifth Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.[16]	1890	[33] 3,635 62	.....	8	5	....	2	....	....	....	9,667	140	3,452 94
Portland (Me.) Deaconess Home, 130 Federal St., Portland, Me[17]	1903	10,000 00	3,000 00	2	3	....	2	1	....	25	1,200	100	1,257 65
San Francisco National Training School and Deaconess Home, 129 Haight St., San Francisco, Cal.[18]	1901	32,000 00	2,000 00	18	....	5	17	....	....	....	13,900	....	9,647 90
Shesler Deaconess Home, 1222 Jackson St., Sioux City, Ia	1901	6,000 00	1,900 00	10	....	....	....	....	....	56	5,477	1,490	3,241 05
Southern California Conference Deaconess Home and Hospital, 451 Westlake Ave., Los Angeles, Cal.[19]	1896	15,000 00	.....	17	....	4	....	....	4	43	9,777	....	4,170 62
Southwest Kansas Conference Deaconess Home, 457 North Saint Francis Ave, Wichita, Kan.[20]	1898	6,000 00	.....	5	2	....	4	....	....	15	6,000	....	440 40
Saint Paul Deaconess Home, 350 West Third St., Saint Paul, Minn.[21]	1907	600 00	.....	4	1	....	....	....	....	....	6,367	....	1,510 72
Stone Deaconess Home, Center St., Martinsburg, W. Va	1906	6,500 00	800 00	1	2	1	....	....	1	15	741	108	986 62
Thompson Rest Home, Mountain Lake Park, Md.*[22]	1899	1,988 00	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	355 42
Washington Deaconess Home, 917 "O" St., Northwest, Washington, D. C.[23]	1890	6,500 00	4,500 00	6	2	....	....	....	....	3	8,630	....	2,866 29

Wilmington Deaconess Home, 841 Tatnall St., Wilmington, Del.	1907	[38]	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	1,071	32	767 76
Wing Rest Home, Huntington Beach, Cal.*[24]	1906	2,250 00	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Duluth Deaconess Home, 2 Lafayette Flats, First Street, East, Duluth, Minn.[25]	[28]1908	[38]	....	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,972	....	300 00
Deaconesses in Stations not connected with Homes	....	....	....	....	49	1	....	....	....	....	....	21,754	....	10,209 02
Work of Deaconesses in Stations connected with San Francisco Home	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	11,632	....	2,460 55
Isolated Deaconesses	....	....	....	....	18	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Total	....	1,064,048 88	89,604 38		302	89	39	193	65	2,035	1,402	326,980	20,681	186,583 30
Stations **														
Atchison District, Kansas Conference	....	$.... ..	$.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,296	....	$240 00
Altoona, Pa	....	.... ..	.... ..		2	....	....	....	....	....	....	3,123	....	500 35
Barre, Vt	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	574	....	198 00
Binghamton, N. Y	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	715	....	334 65
Boise City, Idaho	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,383	....	476 00
Brookfield, Kan	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,967	....	††160 00
Camden, N. J	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	615	....	‡‡175 00
Chattanooga, Tenn	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,381	....	800 00
Cincinnati, O	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	350 00
East Saint Louis, Ill	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	2,488	....	350 00
Erie, Pa	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,236	....	299 70
Farmington, N. M	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Fresno, Cal	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Hutchinson, Kan	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Winfield District, Southwest Kansas Conference	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Burlington, Vt	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Michigan Conference	....	.... ..	.... ..		2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Detroit Conference	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Pittsburg Conference	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Wilkinsburg, Pa	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Central Ohio Conference	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Saint Joseph, Mo	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
New York East Conference	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Hazleton, Pa.[1]	....	.... ..	.... ..		2	....	....	....	....	....	....	569	....	373 10
Indianapolis, Ind	....	.... ..	.... ..		2	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,000	....	544 00
Ironwood, Mich	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	769	....	350 00
Lexington, Ky	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	300 50
Moundsville, W. Va.[1]	....	.... ..	.... ..		....	1	....	....	....	....	....	1,118	....	¶298 59
Mount Carmel, Pa	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,393	....	384 00
Mount Vernon, Ill	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,921	....	284 25
Ogden, Utah	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	750	....	294 00
Pittsburg, Kan.[1]	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,514	....	240 00
Salina, Kan.[1]	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	403	....	240 00
Scranton, Pa	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	738	....	‖225 00
South Kansas Conference	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	240 00
Utica, N. Y	....	.... ..	.... ..		1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,237	....	350 00

DEACONESS WORK OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY—*Continued*

Name and Location of Deaconess Institutions	Year of Establishment	Value of Property and Endowment	Debt	Licensed Deaconesses	Probationers	Stations	Students taking Biblical Training. Not included in Probationers	Students taking Nurse Training. Not included in Probationers	Sick Nursed in Hospitals	Sick Nursed in Homes	Calls of all Kinds Made	Aggregate Number of Children Taught in Industrial Schools	Current Expenses for Fiscal Year
York, Neb	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	$480 00
McAlester, Okla.[1]	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	307	....	300 00
Portland, Ore.[1]	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Wellington, Kan	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	560	....	298 88
Colored Deaconess Stations													
Houston, Tex	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	3,186	....	235 00
Montclair, N. J	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	304	....	212 00
Newark, N. J	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	185	....	200 00
New York City	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	147	....	200 00
Saint Louis, Mo	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	2,477	....	276 00
Total	....	....	....	49	1	....	....	....	....	....	33,386	....	10,209 02

[1] Mount Tabor Institutional Building, valued at $16,000, in charge of deaconesses, is in vicinity of Bohemians; 2,200 children taught in Kindergarten Sewing School Guilds. [2] Rest Home for missionaries and deaconesses. [3] Four unlicensed deaconesses in Des Moines Conference have been counted as Isolated Deaconesses. [4] All are parish workers but Hospital Deaconess, who is Chaplain of Seney Hospital. [5] Rest Home. [6] Work at present confined to Hospital and Travelers' Aid. [7] New home just bought for West Side work cost $11,000; $6,000 debt on this property. [8] Current expenses do not include allowances. [9] This is simply an orphanage, with deaconesses as workers. [10] Three missions connected with the work. [11] Graduate Student, served two years; they wish to consecrate and license at Spring Conference. [12] Rest Home. [13] Student taking Bible training at Washington. [14] They have a trained kindergartner, not a deaconess. [15] One of the ten deaconesses died September 29, 1908. [16] Two associate workers at R. R. Depot reported; one kindergartner reported. [17] See below (§). [18] Eight of the thirteen deaconesses are absent on sick list or resting. [19] Deaconesses in Stations are counted in with the Home. [20] Home opened October 1 for first year training for deaconesses. [21] One deaconess unlicensed counted as probationer. [22] Rest Home. [23] Two unlicensed deaconesses counted as probationers. [24] Reported in connection with other Rest Homes. [25] Work of one deaconess reported. [26] Home school. [27] Home hospital. [28] Opened November, 1908. [29] Endowment. [30] Endowment. [31] Home Mission Endowment. [32] Endowment. [33] Endowment. [34] Graduate student. [35] Affiliated. [36] Also kindergarten. [37] Also practical training. [38] Rented. [39] Rented.

* Rest Homes are reported one half the value of property and current expenses, with the exception of Wing Rest Home, which is deaconess property.

† Brooklyn Deaconess Home property owned by Evangelization Union.

‡ Jersey City Deaconess Home property owned by Evangelization Union.

§ In connection with Home Travelers' Aid Work, day nursery, shelter for girls, and children needing protection temporarily, industrial clubs for girls, boys, and mothers; two months' Fresh Air Work this summer.

** Total figures added in General Report under Deaconesses in Stations. †† Six months. ‡‡ Five months. ¶ Eight months. ‖ Five months.

GERMAN CENTRAL DEACONESS BOARD

Rev. C. Golder, D.D., General Superintendent

Brooklyn, N. Y.													
Bethany Deaconess Home and Hospital, 237 Saint Nicholas Ave., Rev. John Lange, Supt	1894	$88,000 00	$26,000 00	10	5	....	....	2	408	19	120	....	$8,748 45
Cincinnati, O.													
Methodist Deaconess Home ("Motherhouse") and Bethesda Hospital, Miss Louise Golder, Supt	1896												
Maternity Hospital	1901												
Home for Convalescents ("Scarlet Oaks")	1908	310,000 00	35,000 00	37	36	3	....	3	765	135	1,565	....	45,300 00
Rest Home at Wyoming, O	1907												
Rest Home at Epworth Heights	1901												
Branch Homes.													
Deaconess Institute, 365 Dayton St., Chicago, Ill	1892	6,000 00	.... ..	*....	....	....	....	....	....	118	1,650	....	1,816 00
Deaconess Home ("Emanuel"), 925 Barnett St., Kansas City, Kan., Christine Burgbacher, Supt	1902	6,200 00	.... ..	*....	....	....	....	....	....	65	1,043	....	950 00
Deaconess Home, Grand Ave., Milwaukee, Wis., Miss Louise Strothman, Supt	1896	6,500 00	.... ..	*....	....	....	....	....	....	34	720	....	1,071 80
Deaconess Home, Saint Paul, Minn	1906	3,500 00	.... ..	*....	....	....	....	....	....	49	250	....	1,100 00
Louisville, Ky.													
German Methodist Deaconess Home and Hospital, Miss A. Kalterhenry, Financial Secretary	1895	55,000 00	14,000 00	3	....	....	....	17	432	3	....	....	16,355 16
Stations													
Allentown, Pa	....	.... ..	.... ..	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Kirksville, Mo	....	.... ..	.... ..	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
La Crosse, Wis	....	.... ..	.... ..	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Total	....	475,200 00	75,000 00	54	41	3	....	22	1,605	423	5,348	....	75,341 41

*Counted above.

DEACONESS WORK IN EUROPE

Bergen, Norway, Miss Thora Simonsen, Supt	....	$400 00	$.... ..	1	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	$.... ..
Berlin, Germany, Ebenezer Home	....	45,000 00	29,000 00	28	15	....	....	....	....	1,540	4,590	80	8,550 00
Frankfort on the Main, Germany, Deaconess Motherhouse	....	203,000 00	.... ..	33	25	....	....	....	750	185	2,850	....	14,500 00
Hamburg, Germany, Bethany Deaconess Motherhouse	....	300.000 00	50,000 00	45	25	....	....	....	1,093	215	1.250	....	46,500 00
Heilbronn, Germany, Deaconess Home*	....	500 00	.... ..	2	2	....	....	....	....	....	1,150	....	.... ..
Koeln, Germany, Deaconess Home	....	.... ..	.... ..	1	2	....	....	....	....	....	875	....	.... ..
Lausanne, Switzerland, Deaconess Home*	....	500 00	.... ..	8	4	....	....	....	....	....	950	....	.... ..
Magdeburg, Germany, Deaconess Home	....	16,500 00	7,500 00	15	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	5,625 00
Muenchen, Germany, Deaconess Home	....	150,000 00	9,500 00	10	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4,500 00
Nuernburg, Germany, Deaconess Home and Hospital	....	65,500 00	7.000 00	15	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Norway, Deaconess Home	....	14,750 00	6,700 00	25	24	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Neuenheim, Germany, Rest Home "Gottestreu"	....	6,500 00	4,000 00	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Pforzheim, Germany*	....	200 00	.... ..	1	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..
Saint Galien, Switzerland, Deaconess Home	....	17,200 00	11,900 00	10	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.... ..

DEACONESS WORK IN EUROPE—*Continued*

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Strasburg, Germany, Bethany Deaconess Home*	....	$475 00	$.....	7	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	$.....
Vienna, Austria, Deaconess Home*	....	1,625 00	.....	9	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Volksdorf, Germany, Deaconess Rest Home	....	.....	.....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Zurich, Switzerland, Bethany Deaconess Home	....	12,200 00	4,800 00	12	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Stations													
Adlisweil, Switzerland	....	.....	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Karlsruhe, Germany	....	.....	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Pirmasence, Germany	....	.....	.....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Wadensweil, Switzerland	....	.....	.....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Zwickau, Germany	....	.....	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Chemnitz, Germany	....	.....	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Stuttgart, Germany	....	.....	.....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Siegen, Germany	....	.....	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Total	....	834,350 00	130,400 00	242	....	....	....	....	1,843	1,940	11,075	80	79,675 00

* No property; inventory.

DEACONESS WORK IN FOREIGN MISSION FIELDS

1. In India													
Calcutta Deaconess Home, Elizabeth Maxey, Supt	....	$.....	$.....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	$.....
Flora Deaconess Home, Darchula, M. Sheldon, M.D., Supt	....	1,500 00	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Wm. Gamble Memorial Deaconess Home, Kolar, Fannie Fisher, Supt	....	7,500 00	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Madras Deaconess Home, Grace Stephens, Supt	....	12,500 00	.....	2	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Moradabad Deaconess Home, Mary Means, Supt	....	5,000 00	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Muttra Deaconess Home and Training School, Mary Eva Gregg, Supt	....	12,000 00	.....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Pithoragarh Deaconess Home, Lucy Sullivan, Supt	....	5,000 00	.....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
M. C. Nind Deaconess Home, Singapore, S. Blackmore, Supt	....	10,000 00	.....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Lucknow Deaconess Home, Helen Ingram, Supt	....	.....	.....	2	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....

TRAINING SCHOOLS—STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Name of Institution	Location	Present Chief Officer	Value of Property	Endowment	No. of Resident Teachers	No. of Students Last Year
Brook'n (Deaconess Home and Training School)	Brooklyn, N. Y.	Priscilla Foster	$35,000	$10,000	..	7
Chicago Training School for Missions	Chicago, Ill	Lucy Rider Meyer, A.M., M.D.	254,200	23,500	11	202
Cincinnati Missionary Training School	Cincinnati, O	Harriet L. Kemper	*	.....	6	30
Epworth Evangelistic Institute	Saint Louis, Mo.	Iva Durham Vennard	42,000	....	5	45
Folts Mission Institute	Herkimer, N. Y.	.....	....	....	..	..
Iowa Bible Training School	Des Moines, Ia.	Lulu McMillan	17,000	†	3	28
Kansas City National Training School	Kansas City, Mo.	Anna Neiderheiser	75,000	†	4	42
Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School	Washington, D. C.	Rev. Wm. H. Wilder, D.D.	250,000	†	11	88
New England Training School	Boston, Mass.	Orianna F. Harding	20,000	....	2	24
New York (Deaconess Home and Train. School	New York, N. Y.	Bertha C. Morrison	*	....	4	31
San Francisco National Training School	San Francisco, Cal.	Rev. E. R. Willis, D.D.	32,000	†	4	12
Seattle Training School	Seattle, Wash.	Anna Cady	8,000	....	2	5
Aldrich Deaconess Home and Training School	Grand Rapids, Mich.	Mrs. Laura Aldrich, Supt.	23,000	..	..	..

* See table, Deaconess Work. † None.

WOMAN'S TRAINING SCHOOLS OF THE METHODIST DEACONESS ASSOCIATION

For many years, women have been employed in the various religious and missionary enterprises of the Methodist Church. The first twenty years of this period, before our Woman's Training Schools were established, missionary candidates were only required to have a high school or ladies' seminary course, and to be able to present satisfactory letters of recommendation. No special training in Bible or methods of work was demanded. That women entirely untrained in mission work succeeded in the majority of cases in meeting the varied and important responsibilities with which they were confronted was astonishing, but the thought pressed home, if such good work can be accomplished without training, will not success be more complete and more easily gained if before entering their work women be given something of the preparation so universally conceded to be helpful for their brother workers? Such considerations led to the establishment of technical schools in the Methodist Church for the training of Christian women.

The schools under the Association are general in character. Women who feel distinctly called of God to enter special religious work seek preparation in these schools, but others also are welcomed—young women who want to learn the best methods of studying the Bible or who perceive the advantage of coming into personal contact with the mission and sociological problems which a great city offers. The motive need not always be clearly defined. Many a woman has found in these schools light on hard problems, and in breaking away from habits born of routine has been called into a larger field of service; for there are many fields calling urgently for trained women. It is not necessary that one be a candidate for deaconess or missionary work before entering. The woman who is quite certain that her work is to be in her own home will never regret a year spent in systematic study of the Bible, nor the widening of her life that is certain to come with the opportunity to study Christian and philanthropic work at first hand in a great city. The schools of the Association are as follows:

1. The Chicago Training School for City, Home and Foreign Missions, 4949 Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Lucy Rider Meyer, *Principal.*—This school was established in October, 1885, and is thus the pioneer Training School for women in the Methodist Church. It was founded, as its name indicates, to train workers for the city, home and foreign field. It has sent 248 into the foreign mission field and about 1,500 into deaconess and home missionary work, but hundreds more of its students have returned to their own homes or have founded new homes, better prepared for the general work of life.

The resident faculty of the School numbers 11, all with academic degrees or expert training, and special lecturers number 28. In addition, there is a constant stream of visiting lecturers, including many of the bishops and secretaries and the most eminent men and women of the Church. Last year 76 special lectures were given by men and women of national and international reputation.

The actual attendance of students (November, 1908) is 191. The enrollment for the year will probably be larger.

The subjects studied are the English Bible, New Testament Greek, Industrial Methods, Sociology, Ethics, Church and Mission History, Elementary Medicine and Nursing, Teaching of Jesus, Psychology and Personal Evangelism, Practical Field Work, etc. The students are carefully graded, three separate courses being offered. The *Special Training Course*, including some literary work, is intended to meet the wants of those who have not graduated from high school, the *General Training Course* is open to high school graduates, and the *College Woman's Course*, just organized, offers university advantages to graduates of colleges or to those passing an examination showing mental fitness for the advanced work of the course. Class room methods vary from the catechetical to the formal lecture, with reports and essays by the students, followed by criticism and free discussion.

All study is conducted in the spirit of scientific thoroughness and fairness, yet is reverent and conservative. The value of all study as contributing to training is kept steadily in mind.

Chicago offers unparalleled opportunities for practical investigation of the complicated social and religious problems of a great city. The field work of the students is under the careful direction of an expert leader.

The buildings of the School are Harris Hall, furnishing about an acre and a half of floor space, and Monnett Hall, a new and beautiful dormitory structure accommodating 90 students, and occupied this year for the first time. Funds are secured and plans are being made for a new chapel and class rooms, to be ready for occupancy in 1909. The property of the School is valued at $254,200; the endowment is only $23,500, but efforts are being made to increase this sum.

The influence of this first and largest School cannot be measured by statistics. It has done much toward creating the present strong sentiment in the Church as to the necessity for technical training for all Christian workers. The establishment of other training schools bears witness to its power. The expenses to students, including books, are about $125 a year.

2. New York Deaconess Home and Training School of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Bertha C. Morrison, A.M., S.T.D., *Principal,* is one of the important centers of deaconess work. It occupies a large and commodious building, admirably adapted for its purposes, fully equipped, and ideally located for its great and varied activities, at the very heart of the city's life. It is near Central Park, but by many lines of cars every section of the city, uptown and downtown, the East Side and the West Side, is easily and quickly reached. The members of the Home find innumerable open doors. The field work is varied, as varied as the life of a cosmopolitan city. The Training School course is comprehensive and well arranged for the satisfactory training not only of those intending to enter upon deaconess work, but the many others who desire to be skilled in Christian service. The managers of the Home and Training School are men and women of large experience, who are devoting their time and money to the work of the kingdom of God in the world. Under the impulse of the Metropolitan Thank-Offering Movement the payment of this valuable property was provided for. The Home is located at 1175 Madison Avenue, New York.

3. The New England Deaconess Training School, Boston, Mass.—This School was established in 1890. It trains young women for all fields. It is under the management of the New England Deaconess Association, which also sustains a Home and Hospital in Boston. The present enrollment of students is 25. That the School has shared in the growing interest in deaconess work in New England is evident from the fact that friends made it possible to secure a $20,000 property for its use, into which it moved, September, 1907. The courses of studies are those usual to such schools, and the expenses are about the same. *Superintendent,* Miss Orianna F. Harding, corner Bellevue and Park Streets, Fenway Station, Boston, Mass.

4. The Cincinnati Missionary Training School, Harriet L. Kemper, *President,* 1029 Wesley Avenue, Cincinnati, O. The Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home Association in Cincinnati has had a dea-

coness training school in operation for the past 18 years. A year ago a radical change was made to meet new conditions which had arisen. The entire old Wesleyan Female College has been turned over to the Association, placing at its disposal an increase of 74 rooms. The building has been remodeled and radically changed at a cost of $80,000, to adapt it to training school purposes. It is elegantly finished and furnished. Its schoolrooms are commodious and inviting; its chapel a gem of artistic beauty, seating 400 people. The parlors, offices and rooms of the students are all planned and furnished with special reference to beauty and comfort.

The School has a resident faculty of college graduated women, all of whom are on deaconess allowance. Eminent talent is on the lecture course for the year. While the primary thought is to train deaconesses, the enlargement of the School makes it possible to receive others for general training. The actual attendance (November, 1908) is 31. Pupils who desire to specialize in kindergarten work will be given free training by the Cincinnati Kindergarten Association, or students may have the rare opportunity of a nurse's course in Christ Hospital. In its theological teaching the School stands for the integrity of the old Book.

5. Epworth Evangelistic Institute, 3019 Bell Avenue, Saint Louis, Mo., is a school of practice for deaconesses, evangelists and missionaries. It has secured valuable property in the heart of Saint Louis, splendid buildings on Bell Avenue. It is training young women for both the home and foreign field. Epworth Settlement, connected with the Institute, now has two resident deaconesses, and is thoroughly organized in all of its departments, including kindergarten, industrial classes, mothers' meetings, thrift fund, circulating library, boys' clubs, Sunday school and junior league. Epworth Church, organized there, is growing steadily. Every line of deaconess work is being developed under our auspices, evangelistic, educational, travelers' aid, district nursing, parish visiting, industrial and kindergarten work.

Value of property, $42,000; debt, $21,000; licensed deaconesses, 15; probationers, and students taking Biblical Training, 45; sick calls (district nurse in homes), 483; calls of all kinds, 12,675; current expenses, $10,370; children taught in Industrial Schools, 250. *Principal*, Iva Durham Vennard.

6. Seattle Deaconess Home and Bible Training School, Anna M. Cady, *Principal.*—This School, the only one of the kind in the great Northwest, is opening the year with a better attendance and more vigor than ever before. The gift of a beautiful property, valued at $8,000, has been most opportune.

7. New England Deaconess Association. The New England Deaconess Association is organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and has its headquarters in Boston. The corporation is made up of two persons, one lay and one ministerial, elected from each of the New England Conferences and fifteen other members. This corporation succeeds the New England Deaconess Home and Training School organized in 1889. It furnishes deaconesses for any of the New England Conferences, for any purpose for which they may be needed. Its institutions consist of a Hospital, located at 175 Bellevue Street, Fenway District, a Bible Training School for deaconesses and missionaries, located at Bellevue and Park Street, Fenway

District, and a Deaconess Home at 691-93 Massachusetts Avenue, all in Boston. Also a Temporary Home for Children, which includes fresh air work, located near Haverhill, Mass. For more detailed information consult special paragraphs pertaining to these institutions.

NOTE: Home for Aged Women.—During the year the sum of $30,000 was placed in the treasury of the Association for investment, to be used after the death of the donor for the establishment of a Home for Aged Women, the fund to accumulate in the meantime for that purpose.

The *President* of the corporation is Rev. Willard T. Perrin, Ph.D.; *Vice-President*, C. C. Bragdon, LL.D.; *Second Vice-President*, Hon. John L. Bates; *Clerk*, Mrs. Emma H. Watkins; *Treasurer*, Mr. Charles H. J. Kimball; *Counsel*, Alonzo R. Weed; *Corresponding Secretary*, Mr. Theodore A. Hildreth.

8. Cincinnati Deaconess Training School.—Until about a year and a half ago, the Deaconess Home and the Training School were under one management. At that time the two branches of the work were separated and organized under distinct heads, each department having its own management. To meet the needs of this new order of things, the entire building on Wesley Avenue was turned over to the Association and reconstructed and refurnished at a cost of nearly $100,000. This gave the Cincinnati Missionary Training School 76 elegantly furnished and commodious rooms. Its large reception room is a dream of beauty and artistic arrangement. The study and recitation rooms are arranged with special reference to the comfort and convenience of the students. The commodious chapel will accommodate an audience of 500, and is the rallying center for conventions and social events of Cincinnati Methodism. The best pianos in the market have been installed for the benefit of the students. The entire building is lighted with electricity and an electric automatic elevator is in service. A half dozen college graduate women are resident teachers on deaconess allowance. Special club rooms, baths and gymnasium have been fitted up for the boys' clubs. The school is training young women for city, or home or foreign work. The purpose of the management is to train young women in the tongue of the nationalities which are crowding our cities, to the intent that Pentecost may be duplicated by every one hearing the gospel in his own tongue. The large majority of the students are training for the deaconess work, but young women of any Christian denomination may take the training which will fit her for the work she has in view. The expense of the school year including room, board, heat and light is $125. No charge for tuition. Miss Harriet L. Kemper, who was for four years a missionary in India, is the president of the School.

9. Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home, Cincinnati, O.—This Home was established December, 1888. Miss Isabella Thoburn was the first superintendent. For a number of years the work of the Home and Christ Hospital was carried on practically under the same roof; but as the work enlarged, the Home was moved to Wesley Avenue, the very heart of the city, where, with its kindergartens, sewing schools, mothers' meetings, travelers' aid, and house to house visiting, vast numbers are being helped daily. Number of licensed deaconesses in Home, 24. *Acting Superintendent*, Miss Phrone Powell.

CONFERENCE DEACONESS TRAINING SCHOOLS

Conference Training Schools of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.—Conference Training Schools of the Woman's Home Missionary Society are those which have been founded primarily to aid in the work of the Conference where they have developed. All of these Homes, however, have given some workers to the General Society, and especial recognition must be given to the Aldrich Memorial School at Grand Rapids, Mich., and to the Iowa Bible Training School at Des Moines. These last two institutions have furnished generously the National Society many valuable workers.

Brooklyn Deaconess Home and Training School, 238 President Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.—From its beginning, in January, 1892, this Home has trained its own workers, and only these. In 1896 the coöperation of the Brooklyn Church Society with the Woman's Home Missionary Society was secured, and the Home incorporated. Soon the Church Society received the gift of a beautiful house, which it immediately leased, rent free, to the Woman's Home Missionary Society for this Home and School. An endowment fund of $10,000 has been given the institution. Licensed deaconesses, 18; taking Bible training, 4. *Superintendent*, Miss Priscilla Foster.

Aldrich Memorial Deaconess Home and Training School, Grand Rapids, Mich.—This Institution has developed from the devotion and energy of its faithful superintendent, as a memorial to an active, efficient husband, a member of the Michigan Conference. It was opened as a Deaconess Home in 1894, and three years later a school was established within it, and the Institution incorporated. From this school have graduated young women, many of whom have been given to the general work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Licensed deaconesses, 7; taking Bible training, 14. *Superintendent*, Miss A. Maude Severance.

During the past year Mrs. W. J. Aldrich, the honored founder of the Institution and its superintendent for fourteen years, on account of failing health has been obliged to resign her duties. In her place is serving with great acceptability, Miss A. Maude Severance, a graduate of our National Training School at Kansas City, Mo. We look forward to increased usefulness from this promising and growing Institution. An addition to the building will provide much needed room for the increasing number of students.

Iowa Bible Training School, 1155 West Ninth Street, Des Moines, Ia.—In January, 1900, this School was started in the Deaconess Home at the earnest wish of the pastors of the city of Des Moines. Soon it outgrew its quarters, and was generously invited by the Board of the Iowa Methodist Hospital to make a temporary home within its walls. However, the growth of the hospital soon demanded the space occupied by the School. Then the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Des Moines Conference greatly enlarged and beautified the Home. This School has again outgrown its commodious Home, and a friend has purchased the adjoining property with a good house, which makes an added dormitory. Also during the past summer a large addition has been made to the principal building at the cost of several thousands of dollars. The increased demands upon the School

made this necessary. *Principal*, Mrs. Mabel Hilbish; *Superintendent of Home*, Miss Lulu McMillin.

HEDDING HOUSE

Hedding House, a home for working girls, at 335 East Seventeenth Street, New York, is designed for the self-respecting working girl whose income does not exceed $7 a week, regardless of religion or nationality.

The Home has a committee of direction composed of representatives from the boards of managers of the New York City Church Extension and Missionary Society and of the New York Deaconess Home and Training School respectively. The immediate management of the Home is in the hands of the deaconess in charge. The New York Church Extension and Missionary Society pays the rent, but the current expenses of the household are met by most careful management out of the income derived from the members of the Home, who pay from $3.00 to $3.50 per week board and 75 cents per month for laundry.

The capacity of the house is 16. During the past year the aggregate membership was 51; the total expenditure $2,222.44. Kathryn M. Sehnert, deaconess in charge.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY TRAINING SCHOOLS

The Woman's Home Missionary Society attaches great importance to the special training of its workers, as its history from the early days of its existence makes clear. Opportunities for training have increased with the growth of the Society.

Three National Training Schools are maintained, located at Washington, D. C.; Kansas City, Mo., and San Francisco, Cal. These are in care of the Committee on National Training Schools of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, whose whole purpose is to provide the best opportunities for training that can well be secured. These are National Training Schools because they are supported mainly from the general treasury of the Society, and the special object of their maintenance is to provide missionaries and deaconesses whom the Society can locate where most needed for its special service. In addition there are three Conference Deaconess Training Schools, whose object is to provide training for deaconesses whose especial work shall be within the limits of the Conference where the School is located. These Conference Deaconess Training Schools are at Brooklyn, N. Y., Grand Rapids, Mich., and Des Moines, Iowa. Also several of the Homes, as at Jersey City and Sioux City, provide for the first year's training of deaconesses, sending their workers to the National Schools for the second year's training. The nurse training at Washington is given at Sibley Hospital, the Nurse-Training Department of the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School being the only hospital south of Philadelphia belonging to the Methodist Church. At all of these Schools the curriculum includes the Bible, Church History, and the History of Missions, Sociology, Domestic Science and practical experience in Deaconess Work and Missions. All of these Schools are growing in numbers, in material equipments and in their useful service to Methodism. They owe

much to the Training School managers, one of whom is appointed in each Conference to work in the interests of these institutions.

Kansas City National Training School, East 15th and Denver Streets, Kansas City, Mo.—The Kansas City National Training School is having substantial and permanent growth. The institution is situated in the middle of ten acres of land, the noble gift of its ever-to-be-remembered benefactor, Mr. C. E. Schoellkopf. Since the property was donated, the street railway was laid passing the property. The heavy expense for paving and grading has been met, and the land is now estimated to be worth about $75,000. Fisk Hall, the original building, is estimated at about $25,000, and a new building has been erected during the past summer. The building is crowded with students, and a larger number have been enrolled than ever before. This School owes great thanks to the Methodist preachers of the city where it is located, who give freely of their valuable time and services as lecturers. This institution is growing in importance and in the love and loyalty of the Christian people of the great Middle West. *Superintendent*, Miss Anna Neiderheiser.

Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School for Missionaries and Deaconesses, Washington, D. C. This is one of the Training Schools that provide workers for the various fields of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. It was the first one established by the Society and has received careful direction and help from its founders. It is finely equipped with buildings, beautifully situated in the capital of the nation, and provided with every help necessary for the accomplishment of the purposes for which it was established.

It has been organized on a broad basis to furnish every variety of worker required by the different kinds of work to be done. For those who desire to do deaconess work, a full course, following in general the outline of the Bishop's course, has been provided. As much of the work of the Home Missionary Society is among the poor, both in the cities and on the frontiers, among whites and blacks who have never known the meaning of a well-conducted home, a course has been prepared which includes Domestic Science and a laboratory with a competent teacher has been furnished. Young women receive an education in home making which enables them to help these people in a very effective manner. As the easiest way to reach the parents is through the children, a normal kindergarten is a part of the training offered and a model school for this purpose is maintained. Several have graduated to do most useful service in this line. With the great interest in hospital and nursing the demand for trained Christian nurses has led to the organization of the nurse-training school. Thus four important lines of Christian service are comprehended in the organization of this School.

The success of the enterprise has been very marked. Scarcely a dozen years old, it has an attendance of nearly one hundred young women, selected from among the best that the Methodist Church can offer. They come from almost every state in the Union, north and south, and go out from the institution to points of labor quite as varied. Some have gone into Christian work in our insular possessions and many more will be prepared for this large and important service. Last year the graduating class numbered 47 and the entrance this fall promises excellent things in the future.

Not only does the School seek to give this general preparation to its students, but it offers, vocal and instrumental music, a thorough course in physical training that may be used in mission work, many lines of industrial training, together with elocution and public address. In the various missions, settlements and charity organizations of the city as well as in the Methodist churches, opportunity is presented for practical training and one of the teachers, a deaconess, has charge of this department.

The instruction is under the direction of a resident faculty of persons thoroughly well prepared for their different departments of teaching. *President*, Rev. W. H. Wilder, D.D., LL.D., 1150 North Capitol Street, Washington, D. C.

San Francisco National Training School, 129 Haight Street, San Francisco, Cal.—This institution, which has been miraculously preserved from earthquake and fire, has shared in the general upbuilding of courageous San Francisco. While the School was not large this last year, excellent results were accomplished and the present year we have a larger number of students than ever before. The deaconesses who are working for the city pastors, in missions and also in many forms of special service, make their home in the School building. Special thanks are due to the pastors of San Francisco, who so generously and devotedly have given their service to the School. Also, the location of the School is fortunate in securing lectures from many distinguished scholars, travelers and missionaries. Special recognition should be given to the valuable aid and sympathetic coöperation of Bishop J. W. Hamilton. We desire to also recognize the services of Mrs. Zaida Tyrrell, who is temporarily retired from the work. *President*, E. R. Willis, D.D.

DEACONESS HOMES: RUSSIA, ITALY, DENMARK

In connection herewith we present photographs of three groups of deaconesses: first, the first five connected with the Deaconess Home, Saint Petersburg, Russia; second, the first three connected with the Phebe Deaconess Home, Rome, Italy; third, the first three connected with the Deaconess Home, Veile, Denmark. The names of those connected with the Phebe Home in Rome were not sent to us.

The opening of these three Homes marks the inauguration of the Methodist deaconess work in the countries named. The Saint Petersburg Home was formally opened November 1, 1908. More than fifty friends, representing five nationalities, brought words of greeting and encouragement to the heroic deaconesses who began their ministrations among the people during the frightful cholera epidemic. The superintendent of the Home, Miss Anna Eklund, is an elect lady, highly educated, a thorough linguist, and a woman of great executive ability and profound spirituality. The Home in Rome, Italy, was opened in 1908, with five deaconesses. A "snap-shot" of the first three was sent to us; no photograph of the entire group was obtainable. One of the group of three is in charge of the Garibaldi Hospital at Maddolina, an institution under the control of the Italian government.

ANNA EKLUND, SUPERINTENDENT
ADA REMONEN, HULDA SIEVANEN, HILJA HYTÖNEN, STELLA MASTERTON

FIRST FIVE METHODIST DEACONESSES IN RUSSIA

FIRST THREE DEACONESSES, PHEBE HOME, ROME, ITALY

The Home at Veile is under the auspices of the Bethany Society of Denmark. It was opened in 1908, with appropriate dedicatory exercises. All honor to these consecrated and self-denying women. Of each it may be said, "She hath wrought a good work" for the Master. We are indebted to Drs. G. A. Simons, of Saint Petersburg, and N. W. Clark, of Rome, for these interesting photographs.

SISTER ANNA SISTER CLARA SISTER LAURA

DEACONESSES, FIRST DEACONESS HOME, VEILE, DENMARK

SEMIOFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL WEEKLIES

Among the number of these periodicals published by local associations or by private enterprise are the following:

Baltimore Methodist, Baltimore, Md.; under the auspices of Baltimore Annual Conference; Rev. J. F. Heisse, D.D., editor; $1.50 per year.

Christelige Talsmand, Den (Norwegian), Chicago, Ill.; Rev. R. F. Wilhelmsen, redactor; $1.50 per year.

Christian Companion, The, Wilmington, Del.; A. T. Scott, editor and publisher; 50 cents per year.

Christian Standard, The, an international holiness journal, Philadelphia, Pa.; Revs. E. I. D. Pepper and E. S. Dunham, editors; $1.50 per year in advance.

Christian Witness and Advocate of Bible Holiness, Chicago, Ill., and Boston, Mass.; Revs. G. A. McLaughlin and C. J. Fowler, editors; $1 per year in advance.

Deaconess Advocate, 877 East 50th Street, Chicago, Ill.; Lucy Rider Meyer and Mary Alice Hoover, editors; J. Shelly Meyer, publisher; 50 cents per year in advance.

Hyrdestemmen, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. R. F. Wilhelmsen, editor.

Krestansky Posel, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. Frank Pelikan, editor; $1 per year in advance, otherwise $1.50.

Michigan Christian Advocate, Detroit, Mich.; J. H. Potts, D.D., editor; $1.50 per year.

Northern Christian Advocate, Syracuse, N. Y.; established 1841; Rev. L. H. Pearce, editor; $1.50 per year.

Record, The, Ocean Grove, N. J.; $1 per year.

Peninsula Methodist, Chestertown, Md.; L. B. Russell, publisher; $1 per year.

Philadelphia Methodist, Philadelphia, Pa.; S. W. Thomas, D.D., editor; $1.50 per year.

Vidnesbyrdet, Seattle, Wash.; O. O. Twede, editor; 50 cents.

Zion's Herald, Boston, Mass.; Charles Parkhurst, D.D., editor; $2.50 per year.

European Periodicals

Methodism in Europe, Via Firenze 38, Rome, Italy; Dr. N. W. Clark and Dr. G. A. Simons, editors.

Kristelige Talsmand, Veile, Denmark; Rev. S. N. Gaarde, editor.

The Christian World, Sistov, Bulgaria; Rev. Stephen Thomoff, editor.

Nya Budbararen, Helsingfors, Finland; Rev. Karl Hurtig, editor.

Rauhan Sanomia, Tammerfors, Finland; Rev. H. H. Aulanko, editor.

Methodism in Russia, 9th Line 18, W. O. Saint Petersburg, Russia; Dr. George A. Simons, editor.

Apologia Christianstva, 9th Line 18, W. O., Saint Petersburg, Russia; Dr. George A. Simons, editor.

Der Evangelist, Nordstrasse 78*b*, Bremen, Germany; Rev. J. P. Grünewald, editor.

L'Evangelista, Via Firenze 38, Rome, Italy; Rev. L. Lala, editor.

Kristelig Tidende, Christiania, Norway; Rev. C. V. Duckert, editor.

Svenska Sandebudet, Banergatan 31, Stockholm, Sweden; Rev. J. M. Erickson, editor.

Schweizer Evangelist, Thalwill, Kt. Zürich, Switzerland; Rev. Ed. Hug, editor.

FORMS OF BEQUEST

Bequest to Board of Foreign Missions.—"I give and bequeath to THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated, the sum of [*here insert amount*], and the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same." If it be a devise of land the following form should be observed: "I give and devise to THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated, the following lands and premises; that is to say [*brief description here*], to have and to hold the same, with the appurtenances, to the said Society, its successors and assigns forever."

Bequest to Chartered Fund.—"I give and bequeath unto the Chartered Fund of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States of America, a corporation of the State of Pennsylvania, located in Philadelphia, ...dollars."

Bequest to The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.—"I give and bequeath to THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated, the sum of [*here insert amount*], and the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same." Form of a devise of land to said Board: "I give and devise to THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated, the following land and premises; that is to say [*describe property here*], to have and to hold the same, with the appurtenances, to the said Board, its successors and assigns forever."

Bequest to the Board of Education, Freedmen's Aid and Sunday Schools.—"I give and bequeath to THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, FREEDMEN'S AID AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated, [*here insert amount*] for the purpose of said Society, for which the receipt of the Treasurer of said Board shall be a sufficient discharge." In making devises of real estate the following form: "I give and devise to THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, FREEDMEN'S AID AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated, the following lands and premises; that is to say ..... to have and to hold the same, with the appurtenances, to the said Board, its successors and assigns forever."

Bequest to American Bible Society.—"I give and bequeath to the AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY, formed in New York in the year 1816, the sum of [*here insert amount*], to be applied to the charitable uses and purposes of said Society."

Bequest to Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.—"I give and bequeath to the WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated by the Legislature of the State of New York, the sum of [*here insert amount*], and the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge of my executors for the same." In case of a devise of real estate: "I give and devise to the WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated by the Legislature of the State of New York, all that certain [*here describe the property*], with the appurtenances, in fee simple, for the purposes of said Society."

Bequest to Woman's Home Missionary Society.—"I give and bequeath to the WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the sum of [*here insert amount*], and the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same." In case of a devise of real estate: "I give and devise to the WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the following lands and premises, that is to say [*brief description here*], to have and to hold or dispose of the same with the appurtenances, to the said Society, its successors and assigns forever."

NOTE.—Bequests may be made to any Society not mentioned above by using the following form: "I give and bequeath to the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, incorporated under the general laws of the State of ——, the sum of [*here insert the amount*], in trust for the benefit and to be applied according to the direction of [*here insert the name of the Society for whose benefit the bequest is designed*].

The Will should be attested by three witnesses [in some States three are required, in other States only two], who should write against their names their places of residence [if in cities, their street and number]. The following form of attestation will answer for every State in the Union: "Signed, sealed, published, and declared by the said [A. B.] as his last Will and Testament, in presence of us, who, at the request of the said [A. B.], and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses." Some States require the Will to be made at least two months before death.

FORM OF BEQUEST

Form of Will for the American University.—If a legacy or bequest: "I give and bequeath to THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, a corporation in the District of Columbia, its successors and assigns, the sum of [*insert amount*], and the receipt of its Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same." If a devise of land: "I give and devise to THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, a corporation in the District of Columbia, its successors and assigns, the following land and premises [*insert description*], with the appurtenances, in fee simple, for the purposes of the said University." If the residue of an estate: "I give, devise, and bequeath all the residue and remainder of my estate, real and personal [*including herein any and every legacy, bequest or devise, that may lapse or for any reason fail to take effect*], to THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, a corporation in the District of Columbia, its successors and assigns, for the purposes of said University."

The will should be attested by three witnesses, who should write against their names their place of residence, their street and number. The following form of attestation will answer for every State in the Union: "Signed, sealed, published, and declared by the said [A. B.] as his last Will and Testament, in the presence of us, who, at the request of the said [A. B.] and in his presence and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses."

Bequest to Methodist Episcopal Church Home, New York.—"I give and bequeath unto THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH HOME, in the city of New York, the sum of [*here insert amount*], to be paid to the Treasurer for the time being for the use of said Society." In making devises of real estate the following form: "I give and devise unto THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH HOME, in the city of New York [*here describe property and ground rent*], together with the appurtenances and fee simple."

Bequest to the Brooklyn Methodist Episcopal Church Home.—"I give and bequeath to THE BROOKLYN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH HOME the sum of [*here insert amount*], to be applied to the use and purposes of said corporation, and for which the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge." In making devises of real estate the following form: "I give and devise unto THE BROOKLYN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH HOME [*here describe the property and ground rent*], together with the appurtenances and fee simple."

Bequest to the Brooklyn Methodist Episcopal Hospital.—"I give, devise, and bequeath unto THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL HOSPITAL, in the city of Brooklyn, a corporation duly incorporated by the Legislature of the State of New York, by an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Methodist Episcopal Hospital, in the city of Brooklyn,' passed May 27, 1881 [*here insert the amount of money bequeathed, or a description of specific personal property or real property, or both; and if it be the residue of an estate, state that fact*]."

Bequest to the Deaconess Society.—"I give and bequeath to THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL DEACONESS SOCIETY, incorporated by the Legislature of the State of Illinois, the sum of [*here insert amount*], to be applied to the use and general purposes of said corporation [*or if to be applied to any particular department of the work, such as for orphans, the sick, care of deaconesses in old age, specify here*], and for which the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge." In making devises of real estate use the following form: "I give and devise unto THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL DEACONESS SOCIETY [*here describe the property and ground rent*], together with the appurtenances and fee simple."

Bequest to the Five Points Mission.—"I give and bequeath unto the FIVE POINTS MISSION, OLD BREWERY, New York (formerly New York Ladies' Home Missionary Society, of the Methodist Episcopal Church) (incorporated by an act of the Legislature of the State of New York, passed March 20, 1856, and amended March 14, 1900), the sum of ——— dollars, and the receipt of the Treasurer of that Society shall be a sufficient discharge of my executors for the same." Post-office address, 63 Park Street, New York.

Bequest to the New York City Church Extension Society.—"I give and bequeath to the NEW YORK CITY CHURCH EXTENSION AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, instituted in the city of New York, and incorporated by the Legislature of the State of New York, the sum of ——— dollars, to be applied to the use and purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of the Treasurer of the Society shall be a sufficient discharge." Persons disposed to make bequests to the Society are requested to be careful to adopt the above form, so that legacies may not be lost to the Society by mistake or misunderstanding of the intention of the giver.

Bequests to the German Methodist Deaconess Home and Bethesda Hospital.—"I give and bequeath to the GERMAN METHODIST DEACONESS HOME AND BETHESDA HOSPITAL, established in the city of Cincinnati, State of Ohio, and incorporated according to the laws of the State of Ohio, the sum of [*here insert amount*], and the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same."

"I bequeath and devise to the GERMAN METHODIST DEACONESS HOME AND BETHESDA HOSPITAL, established in the city of Cincinnati, State of Ohio, and incorporated according to the laws of the State of Ohio, the following lands and premises, that is to say [*brief description here*], to have and hold the same, with the appurtenances, to the said Home, its successors and assigns forever."

VII

FORCES THAT MAKE FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS

We then as workers together with Him.—2 Cor. 6. 1

THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

FROM the YEAR BOOK of the Young Men's Christian Association of North America for 1907–1908, a volume of 319 pages packed with information concerning the progress of this marvelous moral and religious movement, we select and present some of the leading data:

The net value of its real property is $40,716,051, a gain for the fiscal year of $7,505,566. Other possessions amount in the aggregate to $9,512,975, showing a grand total of $50,229,026. The equipment valuation amounts to $3,119,296.

Concerning its associations and membership the report says: 1,780 associations have sent in reports; 1,939 are in existence; of these 58 are auxiliary organizations of men or boys; 1,689 associations report an aggregate membership of 446,032; 1,440 report an active membership of 182,095; 1,396 report serving on committees 57,229; in the educational department, 757 associations report reading rooms; 784 have libraries containing 519,772 volumes. Total expense of all educational work $507,942; receipts from tuition fees $267,781. Number serving on religious work committees or doing definite personal work 15,244; number of Bible class students 88,549. Payments for local religious work $222,374. Aggregate attendance at all religious meetings and Bible classes, 1,606 branches, 6,432,935.

The Railroad Department numbers 277 associations. The Army and Navy Departments are well equipped and are doing practical work.

Following the instructions of the International Convention in 1904, the International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations of North America requests the hearty and unanimous coöperation of all these Associations and of all Christians in observing the period, November 8 to 15, by special prayer in behalf of young men and of the various departments of Association work among them.

An outline of subjects for daily prayer has been issued by the Association.

Officers.—The list of officers of the Association at the commencement of 1909 is as follows:

World's Committee: Headquarters, 3 Rue Général Dufour, Geneva, Switzerland. *President*, R. Sarasin-Warnery; *Treasurer*, Paul Des Gouttes; *General Secretaries*, Charles Fermaud, Christian Phildius.

North American International Committee: General office, 124 East Twenty-eighth Street, New York city. *Chairman*, L. C. Warner; *Treasurer*, F. B. Schenck; *General Secretary*, R. C. Morse; *Associate General Secretaries: Home Field*, C. J. Hicks; *Foreign Field*, John R. Mott.

State Committee of New York: General office, 215 West Twenty-third Street, New York city. *Chairman,* Edmund P. Platt; *Treasurer,* Samuel Woolverton; *State Secretary,* J. W. Cook.

New York City Association: General office, 215 West Twenty-third Street, New York city. *President,* William Fellowes Morgan; *Treasurer,* Samuel Sloan, Jr.; *General Secretary,* H. M. Orne.

THE SALVATION ARMY

THIS organization is accomplishing vast results in its efforts to redeem mankind from the thraldom of sin in which they are held. The following brief synopsis of the Army's operations will be perused with interest:

The Salvation Army and the Salvation Army Industrial Homes Company are incorporated under the laws of the state of New York. The Reliance Trading Company, incorporated under the laws of the state of New Jersey, also operates in connection with the Army. The Salvation Army, founded by General William Booth, is a religious body organized on military principles with a view of reaching the non-churchgoing masses of the world. It was first started in July, 1865, in the East End of London as the Christian Mission. Thirteen years later it received the name of The Salvation Army. As a temperance movement the Salvation Army has been the means of converting hundreds of thousands of confirmed drunkards. Total abstinence is a condition of membership. The Army's International Headquarters are at No. 101 Queen Victoria Street, London. Its operations are carried on in 54 countries and colonies, embracing 8,055 posts, under the charge of 19,683 officers and employees, with local officers, 51,161, 21,028 brass bandsmen, and about 50,000 musicians. Sixty-nine periodicals are published in 31 languages, with a weekly circulation of about 1,013,292. There are 786 social relief institutions in the world, under the charge of nearly 3,000 officers and employees. About 7,000 fallen women annually pass through the 115 rescue homes. About 1,711 ex-convicts pass annually through the prison-gate homes. There are 137 slum settlements.

The American relief institutions for the poor now include 75 workingmen's hotels and hotels for women, 9,527,241 meals supplied, 84 industrial homes for the unemployed, 138 second hand stores, 5 labor bureaus, 3 farm colonies, with 1,761 acres of land and about 238 men, women, and children as colonists, 24 rescue homes for fallen women, taking care of 1,755 girls annually. More than 225 children are daily cared for in various institutions. Work is annually found for about 58,074 of the unemployed with outside employers. Nearly 1,000 officers and employees care for the poor. Hundreds of tons of coal and countless garments are distributed to the needy. In summer penny ice, summer camps, and summer outings have been arranged in most of the large cities. At Christmas and Thanksgiving 309,650 free dinners are given to the poor. Sanitariums for consumptives are among the most recent of the Army's works of mercy. Two Sailors' Homes have been established, also an anti-suicide bureau.

The National Headquarters of the Salvation Army are at No. 120 West Fourteenth Street, New York city. Commander Miss Evangeline Booth is in charge of the work, with Colonel William Peart as Chief Secretary.

OLD WORLD METHODISM, 1908

The statistics herewith presented are not as full as we could wish, but are given just as they were furnished by our London correspondent.

DENOMINATIONS	Ministers	Lay Preachers	Church Members and Proba.	Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Sunday Scholars	Churches, etc.
Wesleyan Methodists:							
Great Britain	2,455	19,804	522,721	7,570	132,201	990,264	[1]8,574
Ireland	240	605	29,095	352	2,587	25,864	[2]425
Foreign Missions	594	4,066	138,607	1,766	7,527	107,792	3,684
French Conference	43	94	1,661	[3]870	189	2,100	125
South African	250	5,641	116,455	767	3,047	40,306	3,779
Primitive Methodists	1,156	16,189	212,204	4,156	59,568	465,726	5,136
United Methodist Church	880	6,217	188,854	2,413	43,018	324,780	3,117
Wesleyan Reform Union	17	530	8,689	177	2,808	22,323	197
Independent Methodist Churches	399	.....	9,614	151	3,104	28,045	153
Australasia Methodist Church	959	4,441	144,875	4,042	29,694	232,048	6,106

[1]Seating accommodation, 2,359,268. [2]Other preaching places, 1,616. [3]Sunday and Thursday schools.

N. B.—These statistics are the latest procurable.

NOTE.—The Editor of the YEAR BOOK would record the kindness of Rev. Robert Culley, Book Steward, The Methodist Publishing House, 25-35 City Road, London, E. C., in furnishing the above statistics.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH

THE records of the year ending December, 1906, show that the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has had another year of prosperity. The increase in membership over the year immediately preceding was 55,042 and in the number of Sunday school scholars 43,121. The increase in the number of Epworth Leagues 89, and increase in Epworth League members 4,233. Increase of traveling preachers 150, and decrease of local preachers 97.

Board of Bishops.—The Episcopal Board consists of ten members, namely: A. W. Wilson, Baltimore, Md.; C. B. Galloway, Jackson, Miss.; E. R. Hendrix, Kansas City, Mo.; J. S. Key, Sherman, Tex.; O. P. Fitzgerald, Nashville, Tenn.; W. A. Candler, Atlanta, Ga.; H. C. Morrison, Leesburgh, Fla.; E. E. Hoss, Nashville, Tenn.; Seth Ward, Houston, Tex.; James Atkins, Waynesville, N. C.

Agents, Editors, and Secretaries.—D. M. Smith and A. J. Lamar, D.D., publishing agents, Nashville, Tenn.; Gross Alexander, S.T.D., book editor and editor of the Methodist Quarterly Review, Nashville, Tenn.; G. B. Winton, D.D., editor of the Christian Advocate, Nashville, Tenn.; E. B. Chappell, D.D., Sunday school editor, Nashville, Tenn.; H. M. DuBose, D.D., general secretary Epworth League and editor Epworth Era, Nashville, Tenn.; W. R. Lambuth, D.D., missionary secretary, Nashville, Tenn.; W. W. Pinson, D.D., assistant missionary secretary, Nashville, Tenn.; W. F. McMurry, D.D., secretary church extension, Louisville, Ky.; J. D. Hammond, D.D., secretary of education, Nashville, Tenn.; J. R. Nelson, Home Mission secretary, Nashville, Tenn.; H. M. Hamill, D.D., superintendent of Sunday school training work, Nashville, Tenn.

Statistics.—Traveling preachers, 7,188; local preachers, 4,703; members, 1,713,576; Sunday schools, 14,955; Sunday school teachers, 113,654; Sunday school scholars, 1,127,359; Epworth Leagues, 3,663; Epworth League members, 127,024; infants baptized, 127,696; adults baptized, 74,136; conferences, 44; university, 1; colleges, 21; secondary institutions, 197; value of grounds and buildings, $10,940,052; endowment of university and colleges, $4,155,704; foreign mission receipts, $381,180.86; domestic mission receipts, $268,080.24; church extension receipts, $120,243.74; number of church buildings, 15,816; value of church buildings, $35,981,109; number of parsonages, 4,836; value of parsonages, $8,243,290; amount collected for superannuates, $237,274.81; net assets of the publishing house, $1,000,000.

JAPAN METHODISM

THE unification of Methodism in Japan resulted in the organization in May, 1907, of two Conferences, namely: the East Conference and the West Conference of the Japan Methodist Church. We have received the printed minutes of the West Conference—"the first Annual Conference organized under the new discipline"—held at Kobe, March 20–26, 1908, Bishop Honda, presiding. We regret that the minutes of the East Conference have not reached us. From the minutes of

the West Conference we glean the following interesting data concerning this the newest member of the Methodist sisterhood: Number of members of Conference responding to the initial roll call, 40; preachers on trial, 7; lay delegates, 4. Number of Districts, 11; probationers, 642; full members, 3,441; local preachers, 35; baptisms, 1,068; churches, 28; parsonages, 19; value of churches and parsonages, $167,764; Sunday schools, 121; officers and teachers, 544; scholars, 11,136; Wesley Endeavor Society membership, 570. Sunday school offerings, $510. Paid for support of pastors, $20,595, and for evangelists, $2,248. The sum of the contributions for benevolences was $1,906.59.

Bishop Merriman C. Harris, D.D., LL.D., Missionary Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church for Korea, formerly for Korea and Japan, in reply to a request for information concerning the East Japan Conference wrote to us under date of October 31, 1908, as follows: "I have not the statistics of the East Conference. I attended the Conference, however. There are 9 Districts. The Methodist Church of Japan has in probationers and full members, 15,000; adherents, 25,000; Sunday school scholars, 20,000. It has 16 self-supporting churches and many near that point. It had 1,900 baptisms and many more conversions. The Conference year was for nine months and was the greatest in labors, faith, prayer and results in the history of Methodism. Bishop Honda is the Japanese Asbury."

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL PREACHERS

THE first meeting of the Association was held in October, 1858, in New York city; the last, the fifty-first, in October, 1908, in Philadelphia, Pa. The next meeting, the fifty-second, will be held in October, 1909, in Atlantic City, N. J.

One of the chief interests committed to the care of the Association is Taylor University, named after Bishop William Taylor, and located at Upland, Indiana, midway between Columbus and Chicago. It was founded at Fort Wayne, Indiana, in 1846, and removed to its present location in 1893. It has seven departments. Its College of Liberal Arts is up to the standard required by the University Senate. It has about 300 students and a faculty of sixteen instructors. Its president is Rev. Monroe Vayhinger, D.D., Upland, Ind. It has a governing board of twenty-one trustees, all of whom are elected by the National Association of Local Preachers.

The officers of the Association for 1908–9 are: *President*, John Corbett, Third and Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia, Pa.; *Vice-Presidents*, G. W. Finlaw, Merchantville, N. J.; S. Thomas, Baltimore, Md.; C. B. Stemen, Kansas City, Mo.; Colton Amy, East Bangor, Pa.; S. T. Sherwood, Brooklyn, N. Y., and W. L. Boswell, Philadelphia, Pa.; Daniel Green, Newport, Del.; J. F. Cryer, New York city; *Secretary*, D. H. Kenney, Philadelphia, Pa.; *Treasurer*, James North, Baltimore, Md.; *Corresponding Secretary*, G. W. Mooney, Tabor, N. J.

CANADIAN METHODISM, 1908

THE following summary of statistics of Canadian Methodism, for the year ending June 30, 1908, is exceptionally detailed and comprehensive. In addition thereto, Dr. George H. Cornish of 28 Beatrice Street, Toronto, Ontario, presents an exhaustive array of miscellaneous facts pertaining to the denomination. Our readers, including of course our Canadian brethren, will appreciate Dr. Cornish's enterprise and labor in preparing the matter for the METHODIST YEAR BOOK.

Conferences	Presidents and Post Office Addresses	Secretaries and Post Office Addresses	Ministers	Increase	Decrease	Members	Increase
Toronto	Rev. Thomas E. Bartley, Toronto, Ont.	Rev. Fred L. Brown, B.A., New Leskard, Ont.	355	19	....	55,948	1,700
London	Rev. Arthur H. Going, B.A., Exeter, Ont	Rev. T. W. Blatchford, B.A., Ripley, Ont.	275	7	....	50,702	142
Hamilton	Rev. Thomas Colling, B.A., Drayton, Ont	Rev. Alex. J. Irwin, B.D., Tara, Ont	282	3	....	52,012	691
Bay of Quinte	Rev. Robert McCullock, Omemee, Ont.	Rev. John G. Lewis, B.A., Picton, Ont	208	8	....	40,588	887
Montreal	Rev. William Timberlake, Gananoque, Ont.	Rev. Richard Corrigan, B.D., Montreal, Que.	276	....	9	38,707	363
Nova Scotia	Rev. Wm. H. Heartz, D.D., Yarmouth, N. S.	Rev. Benjamin Hills, B.D., Mill Village, N. S.	143	6	....	16,152	Dec. 37
New Brunswick and Prince Edward Isl'd	Rev. Samuel Howard, B.D., Saint John, N. B.	Rev. M. R. Knight, M.A., Elgin, N. B.	123	3	....	13,827	65
Newfoundland	Rev. George Paine, Lower Island Cove, Nfld.	Rev. W. H. Dotchon, Lewisport, Nfld	102	10	....	13,948	1,054
Manitoba	Rev. James C. Walker, Winnipeg, Man	Rev. Benj. W. Allison, Brandon, Man	177	12	....	16,866	760
Saskatchewan	Rev. W. W. Abbott, B.D., Saskatoon, Sask.	Rev. Sam'l T. Robson, B.D., Regina, Man.	181	25	....	13,354	1,487
Alberta	Rev. Thomas C. Buchanan, Calgary, Alta.	Rev. Herb. E. Gordon, B.A., Strathcona, Alta.	152	21	....	8,733	1,513
British Columbia	Rev. John Robson, B.A., Nanaimo, B. C.	Rev. A. E. Roberts, Victoria, B. C.	108	3	....	8,320	756
Japan[1]			....	....	29	[1]747	[1]497
West China Mission	(Number of Out Stations 57, Foreign Missionaries	29, unordained Chinese Preachers 34)	....	....	....		
		Total	2,382	Net 78	....	329,904	6,561

[1] NOTE: The Japan Conference having united with the New Japan Methodist Church the following items, included in the totals last year, are now omitted: Ministers 29, Members 3,317, Sunday schools 52, Teachers and Officers 130, and Scholars 3,871.

CANADIAN METHODISM—*Continued*

The General Conference met in the city of Montreal, Province of Quebec, on September 12, 1906, and closed its sessions on Thursday, September 27.

Officers of the Conference.—General Superintendent, Rev. Albert Carman, D.D., LL.D., Toronto, Ont.; Secretary, Rev. T. Albert Moore, Toronto, Ont.; Assistant Secretaries, Rev. Joseph J. Rae, Picton, Ont.; P. E. Butchart, Esq., Edmonton, Alberta, and W. B. McCoy, LL.B., Halifax, N. S.; Journal Secretary and Statistician, Rev. George H. Cornish, LL.D., Toronto, Ont.

Missionary Department.—General Secretary of Foreign Missions, Rev. Alex. Sutherland, D.D.; Field Secretary of Foreign Missions, Rev. T. E. Egerton Shore, M.A., B.D.; General Secretary of Home Missions, Rev. James Allen, M.A.; Field Secretary of Home Missions, Rev. Charles E. Manning; Secretary of Young People's Forward Movement for Missions, Rev. Fred. C. Stephenson, M.D.; Treasurer, Rev. Dr. Sutherland, and Harris H. Fudger, Esq. The Post Office address of all the above is, The Methodist Mission Rooms, Toronto, Ont.

Manitoba and British Columbia.—Senior Superintendent of Missions, Rev. James Woodsworth, D.D., Winnipeg, Manitoba; Superintendent of Missions for Manitoba and Saskatchewan, Rev. Oliver Darwin, Regina, Sask.; Superintendent of Missions for Alberta, Rev. Thomas C. Buchanan, Calgary, Alberta; Superintendent of Missions for British Columbia, Rev. James H. White, D.D., New Westminster, B. C.

The Maritime Provinces.—Superintendent of Missions for New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland, Rev. Thomas Marshall, Sackville, N. B.

The income of the Missionary Society for the year ending June, 1908, was $487,485.01. Increase $44,855.16.

The Society was organized in 1824 and now has 697 mission stations, 551 missionaries, 45 assistants, 22 teachers and 10 interpreters, a total of 628 paid agents and a membership of 41,941.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society was organized in the city of Hamilton, Ont., in 1881. It now has 10 branches, 989 auxiliaries, 2,623 life members and 28,045 annual members, 556 circles and mission bands, with 15,955 members, making a grand total membership of 44,000.

As centers of Evangelistic and Educational work, the following seventeen places are occupied: viz.—In Japan, Tokyo, Shizuoko, Kufu, Kanazawa, Ueda, and Nagano. In China, Chentu, Kiating and Ren Shou. In British Columbia, Port Simpson, Kitamaat, Bella Bella, Hazleton, and Victoria. In Alberta, Morley and Pakan. In Manitoba, the city of Winnipeg, and in Quebec, the city of Montreal.

The income of the Society for the year 1907–08 was $97,802.69. Increase for the year $300.70.

Supported by the Society are seven boarding schools, seven day schools, one night school, two industrial schools, five kindergartens

four orphanages, one Chinese Rescue home, two dispensaries, and one-half share with the General Missionary Society in Industrial Schools in Montreal and in Chilliwhack.

There are employed in this work 58 missionaries, 45 engaged as teachers and evangelists, 2 physicians, and 11 trained nurses, aided by 25 Bible women and 40 native teachers.

The property consisting of lands and buildings, owned by the Society is valued approximately as follows:

In Japan	$58,849.00	
In China	13,233.00	
In British Columbia	19,707.00	
In Alberta	2,170.00	
Total		$93,959.00

Book and Publishing Houses.—1. Toronto, Ont., Wesley Buildings, Richmond Street, West; *Book Steward*, Rev. William Briggs, D.D.; Assistant, Rev. J. J. Redditt.

2. Halifax, N. S., 141 Granville Street; *Book Steward*, Mr. F. W. Mosher.

3. Montreal, Que., Saint Catharine Street; *Manager*, Mr. C. W. Coates.

Periodicals.—The Christian Guardian, Toronto, Ont., Editor, Rev. William B. Creighton, B.A., B.D.; Assistant Editor, Rev. William McMullen, B.A.

The Wesleyan, Halifax, N. S., Editor, Rev. David Johnson, D.D. Sunday school publications, Toronto, Ont., Editor, Rev. W. H. Withrow, D.D., F.R.C.S. The Canadian Epworth Era, Toronto, Ont.; Editor, Rev. Albert C. Crews, D.D.

Epworth League and Sunday School Department.—*General Secretary*, Rev. Albert C. Crews, D.D., Toronto, Ont; *First Associate Secretary*, Rev. Samuel T. Bartlett, Sackville, N. B.; *Second Associate Secretary*, Rev. John A. Doyle, Regina, Sask; *General Treasurer Epworth League Department*, A. E. Kent, Toronto, Ont.; *General Treasurer Sunday School Department*, Edward C. Caswell, Toronto, Ont.

Temperance, Prohibition and Moral Reform.—*General Secretary*, Rev. Samuel Dwight-Chown, D.D., 60 Confederation Life Buildings, Toronto, Ont. *Field Secretary*, Rev. Herbert S. Magee, 11 Webster Avenue, Toronto, Ont.

Educational Society.—*General Secretary*, Rev. John W. Graham, B.A., D.D., Victoria University, Toronto, Ont.; *General Treasurer*, C. D. Massey, Esq., Toronto, Ont. The income of the Society for the quadrennium, 1902–1906, was $117,750.89. The number of colleges, not including mission schools, is 11 as follows: 1. Victoria University, Toronto, Ont., N. Burwash, S.T.D., LL.D., president and professor of Biblical and Systematic Theology. Founded in Cobourg, Ont., 1830, as Upper Canada Academy, and incorporated in 1836; reorganized as a university by amended charter in 1841; consolidated with Albert College, Belleville, Ont., in 1884; and federated with Toronto Uni-

versity in 1890; removed to Toronto, and new buildings opened in 1892. 2. Mount Allison University, Sackville, N. B., begun in 1842. 3. Wesley College, Winnipeg, Manitoba, founded in 1873. 4. Wesleyan Theological College, Montreal, founded in 1873. 5. Albert College, Belleville, Ont., founded in 1857. 6. Alma Ladies' College, Saint Thomas, incorporated in 1877. 7. Columbian Methodist College, New Westminster, B. C., founded in 1892, incorporated in 1894. 8. The Methodist College, Saint Johns, N. F. 9. Alberta College, Edmonton, Alta., 1903. 10. Stanstead Wesleyan College, Stanstead, Que., incorporated in 1872. 11. Ontario Ladies' College, Whitby, Ont., incorporated in 1874.

The number of students in attendance at the above Institutions is 3,440. The number of professors and other instructors is 161.

The buildings and equipment are valued at $1,623,437. The endowments are $1,069,432.

General Summary

Number of ministers in active work, 1,346; General Conference officers and professors in colleges, 63; superannuated and supernumerary ministers, 372; evangelists, 6; left without a station, 53; total, 1840; Probationers for the ministry in active work, 226; at college, 311. without station, 4; on Reserve list, 1; total, 542. Grand total ministers and probationers, 2,382; increase, 78.

Local preachers, 2,585; exhorters, 1,224; class leaders and assistants, 5,198; stewards, 10,526.

Sunday schools, 3,556, decrease, 18; Sunday school teachers and officers, 35,323; increase, 844; scholars, 305,649. Increase, 14,814. Total Sunday school force, 346,633, increase, 16,694. Contributed by Sunday schools for Missions, $36,166, increase, $2,007. Young People's Societies, 1,934, increase, 43; number of members, 79,274, increase, 4,047. Contributed by Young People's Forward Movement for Missions, $52,549, increase, $4,987.

Churches and Parsonages: Number of churches built during the year, 93; value, $832,162. Number of parsonages built during the year, 49; value, $133,284. The total number of churches now is 3,789, and of parsonages, 1,421. The total value of all church property is $22,842,421.

DENOMINATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES

The following tables were compiled by H. K. Carroll, LL.D., first assistant corresponding secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and were published in The Christian Advocate of January 23, 1908. Dr. Carroll was in charge of the government census of churches in 1890. Our acknowledgment is due to him and to the editor of The Christian Advocate for permission to use these statistics in the Year Book. The increase in 1907 over 1906 was as follows: Ministers, 2,301; churches, 4,214; communicants, 627,546.

DENOMINATIONS	SUMMARY FOR 1907		
	MINISTERS	CHURCHES	COMMUNICANTS
Adventist (6 bodies)	1,569	2,544	99,298
Baptists (14 bodies)	38,279	55,294	5,224,305
Brethren (River) (3 bodies)	173	98	4,239
Brethren (Plymouth) (4 bodies)	.....	314	6,661
Buddhist (Chinese)	.....	47	.....
Buddhist and Shintoist (Japanese)	.....	9	.....
Catholics (9 bodies)	15,891	12,731	11,645,495
Catholic Apostolic	95	10	1,491
Christadelphians	.....	63	1,277
Christian Connection	1,348	1,340	101,597
Christian Catholic (Dowie)	104	110	40,000
Christian Scientists	1,336	668	85,096
Christian Union	201	268	17,500
Church of God (Winebrennarian)	499	590	41,475
Church of the New Jerusalem	130	144	8,200
Communistic Societies (6 bodies)	.....	22	3,084
Congregationalists	5,923	5,941	699,327
Disciples of Christ	6,673	11,307	1,285,123
Dunkards (4 bodies)	3,337	1,159	121,705
Evangelical (2 bodies)	1,503	2,666	173,641
Friends (4 bodies)	1,466	1,075	122,081
Friends of the Temple	4	4	340
German Evangelical Protestant	100	155	20,000
German Evangelical Synod	974	1,262	237,321
Jews (2 bodies)	301	570	143,000
Latter-Day Saints (2 bodies)	1,952	1,328	398,000
Lutherans (23 bodies)	8,040	13,169	2,022,605
Swedish Evangelical Mission Covenant	355	351	46,000
Mennonites (12 bodies)	1,240	701	61,690
Methodists (17 bodies)	41,893	61,518	6,660,784
Moravians	129	119	17,199
Presbyterians (12 bodies)	12,723	16,478	1,821,504
Protestant Episcopal (2 bodies)	5,197	7,779	830,659
Reformed (3 bodies)	1,999	2,596	430,458
Salvation Army	4,765	1,016	28,000
Schwenkfeldians	6	8	740
Social Brethren	17	20	913
Society for Ethical Culture	10	5	2,142
Spiritualists	.....	748	150,000
Theosophical Society	.....	72	2,607
United Brethren (2 bodies)	2,168	4,359	289,652
Unitarians	549	473	71,200
Universalists	728	910	52,621
Independent Congregations	54	156	14,126
Grand total in 1907	161,731	210,199	32,983,156
Grand total in 1906	159,430	205,985	32,355,610

Order of Denominations.—The following table shows the number of members and the comparative rank of the leading denominations in 1907 and 1890:

DENOMINATIONS	RANK IN 1907	COMMUNICANTS	RANK IN 1890	COMMUNICANTS
Roman Catholic	1	11,371,970	1	6,231,417
Methodist Episcopal	2	3,036,667	2	2,240,354
Regular Baptist (South)	3	1,981,749	4	1,280,066
Regular Baptist (Colored)	4	1,778,824	3	1,348,989
Methodist Episcopal, South	5	1,673,892	5	1,209,976
Presbyterian (Northern)	6	1,312,075	7	788,244
Disciples of Christ	7	1,285,123	8	641,051
Regular Baptist (North)	8	1,155,422	6	800,450
African Methodist Episcopal	9	850,000	11	452,725
Protestant Episcopal	10	821,240	9	532,054
Congregationalists	11	699,327	10	512,771
Lutheran Synodical Conference	12	643,599	12	357,153
African Meth. Episcopal Zion	13	578,310	13	349,788
Lutheran General Council	14	437,788	14	324,846
Latter-Day Saints	15	350,000	21	144,352
Reformed (German)	16	284,073	15	204,018
United Brethren	17	271,335	16	202,474
Lutheran General Synod	18	265,469	17	187,432
Presbyterian (Southern)	19	262,390	18	179,721
German Evangelical Synod	20	237,321	20	164,640
Colored Methodist Episcopal	21	219,739	23	129,383
Methodist Protestant	22	183,894	22	141,989
United Norwegian Lutheran	23	154,055	25	119,972
Spiritualists	24	150,000	39	45,030
United Presbyterian	25	127,205	26	94,402
Primitive Baptist	26	126,000	24	121,347
Reformed (Dutch)	27	121,210	27	92,970
Lutheran Synod of Ohio	28	110,877	33	69,505
Evangelical Association	29	103,525	23	133,313
Christian Connection	30	101,597	29	90,718
Conservative Dunkards	31	100,000	35	61,101

The position of the Roman Catholic church at the head of all statistics of membership is due simply to their method of computing as members of their church the whole Catholic population, old and young; whereas in our church, and most other Protestant denominations likewise, only those who have taken upon themselves the vows of the church are enumerated. In the Methodist Episcopal Church not even are our baptized children counted.

OTHER METHODISMS IN THE UNITED STATES

EXCLUSIVE of the Methodist Episcopal denomination there are sixteen denominations designated by the term "Methodist." Their statistics at the close of 1907 are as follows:

DENOMINATIONS	MINISTERS	CHURCHES	COMMUNICANTS
1. Union Amer. Methodist Episcopal.	138	255	18,500
2. African Methodist Episcopal.....	6,070	6,815	850,000
3. African Union Methodist Protestant	200	125	4,000
4. African Methodist Episcopal Zion..	3,912	3,241	578,310
5. Methodist Protestant.....	1,551	2,242	183,894
6. Wesleyan Methodist.....	524	598	19,064
7. Methodist Episcopal, South.....	6,978	15,496	1,673,892
8. Congregational Methodist.....	415	425	24,000
9. Congregational Methodist (Colored)	5	5	319
10. New Congregational Methodist....	238	417	4,022
11. Zion Union Apostolic.....	30	32	2,346
12. Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	2,673	2,619	219,739
13. Primitive.....	72	104	7,013
14. Free Methodist.....	1,126	1,117	31,435
15. Independent Methodist.....	8	15	2,569
16. Evangelist Missionary.....	92	47	5,014
Total (16 Denominations).....	24,032	33,553	3,624,117
Add Methodist Episcopal.....	17,861	27,965	3,036,667
Grand Total Methodist.....	41,893	61,518	6,660,784

THE WOMAN'S NATIONAL SABBATH ALLIANCE

THIS Society has for its object the promotion of the sanctity of the American Sabbath. It is national and has branches and auxiliaries in different cities. Upward of a thousand members belong to the national head and its branches.

Its work is along the line of home and social life and is educational in character. Christian women are becoming more fearless in standing for their convictions. The Alliance has now 49 different leaflets treating on every phase of the Sabbath problem and is glad to send a sample package whenever asked to do so (5 cents will cover postage). Annual fees, $1; sustaining, $10; life, $25; patron and life, $50. The meetings are held the fourth Monday of every month at 10:15 A.M., in Room 725, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Officers.—The following are the officers of the Woman's National Sabbath Alliance for the current year:

Honorary President, Mrs. Darwin R. James; *President*, Mrs. Don O. Shelton; *Honorary Vice-President*, Mrs. Margaret E. Sangster; *Treas-*

urer, Mrs. F. R. Van Nest; *Recording Secretary*, Mrs. J. H. Schmelzel. The headquarters of the Alliance are at Room 607, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

THE CHAUTAUQUA INSTITUTION

THIS organization, founded in 1874 by the late Lewis Miller and John H. (now Bishop) Vincent as a summer institute for the training of Sunday school teachers, after thirty-five years of usefulness, is still a growing power for good. From the beginning it has been undenominational in its character, and thoroughly educational in its methods. In 1879 the summer session was extended from three to six weeks by the addition of a summer school of liberal arts. This school now registers some twenty-five hundred students each year. In 1902 the title of the Chautauqua system of education was changed by act of the Legislature of the State of New York to "Chautauqua Institution." Its general offices are situated at Chautauqua, New York.

In 1878 the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle was organized for the benefit of Sunday school teachers and other out-of-school people who felt their need of a wider acquaintance with the world of books. The purpose of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle is to promote habits of reading and study in history, literature, science, and art; to give college graduates some review of the college course; to secure for those whose educational privileges have been limited the college student's general outlook upon the world and life; and to encourage close, connected, and persistent thinking. The general plan offered may be stated as: (1) A four years' course, designed to bring the "college outlook into the home." (2) Seventy-five specialized courses for continued reading and study. (3) A diploma at the end of the four years' course. (4) Seals for written review work and extra reading. (5) Individual readers may pursue the entire course alone. (6) Local circles of three or more are recommended.

Officers.—The officers of Chautauqua Institution for 1909 are:

Chancellor, Bishop John H. Vincent; *President*, George E. Vincent; *Director*, Arthur E. Bestor; OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES: *President*, Clement Studebaker, Jr.; *First Vice-President*, Chester D. Massey; *Second Vice-President*, N. F. Clark; *Third Vice-President*, A. M. Schoyer; *Secretary*, Ira M. Miller; *Treasurer*, Scott Brown. DEPARTMENT OF INSTRUCTION: *President*, George E. Vincent; *Director*, Arthur E. Bestor; *Secretary*, Percy H. Boynton. DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION: *Director*, Arthur E. Bestor. PRESS DEPARTMENT: *Managing Editor*, Frank Chapin Bray; *General Secretary, C. L. S. C.*, Daniel W. Howell; *Executive Secretary, C. L. S. C.*, Kate F. Kimball; *Assistant Managing Editor*, E. H. Blichfeldt; *Assistant Editor The Chautauquan*, Carl H. Grabo. DEPARTMENT OF GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS: *Superintendent*, George W. Rowland.

NATIONAL TEMPERANCE SOCIETY

This Society was organized in 1865, and incorporated under the laws of the state of New York in 1866, for the special work of creating and circulating a sound temperance literature, to promote the cause of total abstinence from all intoxicants, and to unify and concentrate the temperance and Christian sentiment of the nation against the drink habit and the drink traffic. The Society is genuinely *non-partisan* and *non-sectarian*. Hon. Wm. E. Dodge, the Christian merchant and philanthropist, was its first president, and so continued for eighteen years, until his death. His successors have been the Rev. Dr. Mark Hopkins, president of Williams College; the Rev. Dr. T. L. Cuyler, Gen. O. O. Howard, Mr. J. L. Bailey, and its present president, Rev. D. S. Dodge, D.D., son of the first president.

Extract from the Report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to June 30, 1908. For purposes of comparison the figures for 1907 are also given:

Objects of Taxation	Receipts During Fiscal Years Ended June 30		Increase	Decrease
	1907	1908		
SPIRITS				
Spirits distilled from apples, peaches, grapes, pears, pineapples, oranges, apricots, berries, prunes, figs and cherries	$2,193,057 07	$1,837,033 86	.....	$356,023 21
Spirits distilled from materials other than apples, peaches, grapes, pears, pineapples, oranges, apricots, berries, prunes, figs and cherries	147,556,281 56	131,780,242 50	.....	15,776,039 06
Rectifiers (special tax)	323,546 42	298,517 18	.....	25,029 24
Wine made in imitation of champagne, and liquors produced by being rectified, etc	.....	10 10	$10 10	.....
Retail liquor dealers (special tax)	5,311,043 63	5,326,809 00	15,765 37	.....
Wholesale liquor dealers (special tax)	634,603 15	610,617 94	.....	23,985 21
Manufacturers of stills (special tax)	1,137 53	1,260 48	122 95	.....
Stills and worms manufactured (special tax)	2,780 00	2,560 00	.....	220 00
Stamps for distilled spirits intended for export	4,691 35	2,265 50	.....	2,425 85
Case stamps for distilled spirits bottled in bond	188,164 60	159 610 50	.....	28,554 10
Grape brandy used in the fortification of sweet wines	121,596 58	130,880 00	9,283 42	.....
Total	$156,336,901 89	$140,158,807 15	$25,181 84	$16,212,456 67
FERMENTED LIQUORS				
Ale, beer, lager beer, porter, and other similar fermented liquors	$58,546,110 69	$58,747,680 14	$201,569 45	.....
Brewers (special tax)	152,712 61	155,129 29	2,416 68	.....
Retail dealers in malt liquors (special tax)	318.277 54	340,125 49	21,847 95	.....
Wholesale dealers in malt liquors (special tax)	550,717 34	564,681 89	13,964 55	.....
Total	$59.567.818 18	$59,807,616 81	$239,798 63	.....

From the above it will appear that the amount of money entering the United States Treasury from duty on "Spirits" and "Fermented Liquors" is $199,966,423.96.

We are gratified, however, that there is a decrease to record. That decrease, as will be observed, is $15,947,746.20.

Officers.—*President*, D. S. Dodge, D.D.; *General Secretary*, Alexander Alison, D.D.; *Treasurer*, J. W. Cummings.

The Society publishes three papers every month. They are as follows: The National Advocate, established 1865, a 16-page monthly devoted to the general interests of the temperance reform. The Youth's Temperance Banner, established 1865, an attractive 4-page monthly temperance paper for young people over ten. The Water Lily, established 1887, a 4-page monthly temperance paper for boys and girls under ten, beautifully illustrated. Copies of these papers will be sent on request.

THE EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE OF THE UNITED STATES

THIS Alliance, founded in 1867, twenty-one years subsequent to the organization of the Evangelical Alliance in London, Eng., aims to manifest and strengthen Christian unity, to defend and promote religious liberty, and to encourage coöperation in Christian effort.

The topics for the Week of Prayer are: Sunday, January 3, sermons, The Law of the Harvest, Gal. 6. 7; James 4. 3; Monday, January 4, The Bible—The Word of God, Heb. 1. 1, 2; 2 Tim. 3. 16, 17; 2 Peter 1. 21; Heb. 4. 12; Tuesday, January 5, God's Faithfulness, Man's Responsibility, 1 Cor. 1. 3-8; Luke 12. 42-44; Phil. 2. 12, 13; Rev. 2. 10; Wednesday, January 6, Missions Home and Foreign, Matt. 28. 19, 20; Thursday, January 7, Intemperance and Gambling, Prov. 20. 1; 23. 32; Rom. 12. 17; Hab. 2. 15; 1 Cor. 6. 10; Phil. 4. 8; Friday, January 8, The Family and the School, Job 28. 28; Matt. 19. 5, 6; Psa. 111. 10; Saturday, January 9, The Signs of the Times, Matt. 16. 3; Heb. 2. 4; Matt. 24. 3, 14; Phil. 2. 9-11; Rev. 11. 15; Sunday, January 10, sermons, Christ, the Giver of Life, John 14. 6.

Officers.—The officers of the Alliance for 1908–9 are:

President, Leander T. Chamberlain, D.D., The Chelsea, West 23d Street, New York city; *Recording Secretaries*, H. B. Chapin, D.D., G. U. Wenner, D.D.; *Treasurer*, J. T. Brinckerhoff, Esq.; *Honorary Secretaries*, George Alexander, D.D., Joachim Elmendorf, D.D., W. H. P. Faunce, D.D., J. B. Remensnyder, D.D., LL.D., Cornelius B. Smith, D.D., S. H. Virgin, D.D., LL.D.

THE AMERICAN SABBATH UNION

THIS organization is National, Christian, interdenominational, codenominational, and officially represents fourteen of the leading denominations, as endorsed by a vote of their highest ecclesiastical courts. Its sole object is the preservation of the Christian Sabbath for all classes. "The right of rest for one demands the law of rest for all."

The Union was organized December 12, 1888, in Washington, D. C., and incorporated in 1890 under the laws of the state of New York.

The National headquarters are 203 Broadway, New York city. Four lines of effort are pursued by this National Association, as follows: 1. Organizing the States not yet organized into Auxiliaries, also County, City and Village Sabbath Associations. 2. Guarding the civil statutes on Sabbath observance already enacted, and assisting in securing more efficient laws in various state legislatures and our National Congress, with their full enforcement as speedily as possible. 3. Publishing and distributing literature on this vital question, circulating about two million of pages annually at present. 4. Creating and strengthening public sentiment, by delivering addresses, sermons and lectures on the Sabbath Question, in Churches, Chautauqua, Mass Meetings and all other available places. The Union is supported entirely by the voluntary offerings of friends of the American Christian Sabbath, both individuals and churches: Life Members, $100 per year; honorary membership, $50 per year; corresponding membership, $25 per year; sustaining membership, $10 per year; associate membership, $5 per year. Coöperating supporters, all contributors giving less than $5 each.

Board of Managers.—Bishop John H. Vincent, D.D., LL.D., Indianapolis, Ind., David J. Burrell, D.D., Col. A. S. Bacon, Canon William Sheafe Chase, D.D., H. Edwards Rowland, Rev. Geo. B. Young, D.D., H. K. Carroll, LL.D., Jesse W. Brooks, D.D., Rev. Alfred E. Myers, A. B. Sanford, D.D., Hon. Darwin R. James, James Marshall Stuart, R. S. McArthur, D.D., Bishop Wm. T. Sabine, John H. Willey, D.D., James Yereance, Walter D. Buchanan, D.D., Edward F. Cragin, A. A. Robbins.

Officers.—*President*, Hon. Darwin R. James; *Chairman of Executive Committee*, Mr. James Yereance; *General Secretary*, Frederick J. Stanley, D.D., L.H.D.; *Treasurer*, Col. Alexander S. Bacon.

THE McCLINTOCK ASSOCIATION

This worthy society was founded by Mrs. Maria S. Carter for the assistance of students in Drew Theological Seminary who needed aid while pursuing their studies for the ministry. It was incorporated under the laws of the state of New York, April 21, 1878, and is composed of ladies of New York city and vicinity. An annual subscription of $5 constitutes a member; a donation of $25 a life member, and $100 a patron.

Sums ranging from $25 to $100 a year are loaned to applicants (who apply through Dr. Buttz) with the understanding that they are to be repaid. A membership of $5, with donations and returned loans, forms its income, which is distributed under the guidance of the Faculty of Drew Theological Seminary. An Endowment Fund, begun by Mrs. A. T. Stout, and further increased by Mrs. Dr. John M. Reid, is on interest in the Greenwich Bank.

Officers.—*President*, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, 175 West 58th Street, New York city; *Corresponding Secretary* and *Treasurer*, Mrs. Samuel F. Upham, 114 Henry Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

JOHN C. MARTIN EDUCATIONAL FUND

THE object of this Fund, to which the name of the donor has been given, is to popularize the study of the Bible by means of an outline course of Bible lessons for the use of schools, colleges and Bible classes, especially in the South.

The lesson plan is based upon the text of the Bible, and consists of analyses, notes and leading truths. Through this fund Mr. Martin aims to place the course of study wherever it is most needed. The Fund is affiliated with some of the leading colleges, both white and colored, in the South in which are established divinity schools and Bible training courses. The course is evangelical, practical and entirely unsectarian. The Fund is incorporated under the laws of the state of New York.

President, John C. Martin; *Vice-President*, J. Ross Stevenson, D.D.; *Secretary*, Thomas Conyington; *Fiscal Agents*, The Lincoln Trust Company; *Trustees:* R. S. McArthur, D.D., W. I. Haven, D.D., J. Ross Stevenson, D.D., Geo. H. Shearer, D.D., D. A. Blackburn, D.D., John C. Martin, Dr. Ulamore Allen, Thomas Conyington, Lot C. Alston. The office of the Fund is at No. 1 Broadway, New York city.

ITINERANTS' CLUB

THE value to our ministers, especially to the young men, of the department in the Methodist Review bearing the above title, justifies us in giving the Itinerants' Club space in the YEAR BOOK. The exegetical and homiletical contributions to that department are furnished by some of our ablest theologians and attract deserved attention. The Methodist Review is the official organ of the Club which owes its origin to Bishop John H. Vincent.

At the closing session of the Dakota Conference in 1889 the four undergraduate classes with their examiners were called to the front and addressed by Bishop Vincent. Resolutions were adopted organizing the Itinerants' Club, from which beginning the present organization has developed. Great improvement in the examinations has since followed. The holding of the mid-year examinations is now common, when examiners and students canvass the work for the year. With these examinations are joined programs of lectures by specialists on biblical, scientific, and literary themes; praxis in the studies; book reviews, and conferences on practical methods of pastoral labor and kindred topics. A day is given to examinations, and two or three days more to the program, the evenings being devoted to great popular lectures. Such is the work of the Conference organization variously known as the "Itinerants' Club," "Ministerial Institute," "Mid-Year Assembly," or by some similar name. Summer schools are also held, which secure the services of specialists and afford to pastors the privilege of hearing the results of the latest scholarship.

THE NATIONAL WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union is an organization of Christian women banded together for the protection of the home, the abolition of the liquor traffic, and the triumph of Christ's Golden Rule in custom and in law. It is the lineal descendant of the great Woman's Temperance Crusade of 1873–74. It was organized in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1874.

Every state and territory in the United States has a state or territorial W. C. T. U. Local unions are organized in ten thousand towns and cities. National organizers, lecturers and evangelists are constantly in the field, besides those of the several states and territories.

The organization has a membership, active and honorary, of 300,000, with a following of at least half a million. The basis of membership is the signing of the total abstinence pledge and the payment of the annual membership dues.

The work is classified under the general heads of Preventive, Educational, Evangelistic, Social, Legal, and the department of Organization. There are 250,000 boys and girls in the Loyal Temperance Legion Branch. The W. C. T. U. has secured mandatory laws in Congress, and in every state and territory, requiring scientific temperance instruction to be given in public schools, reaching 22,000,000 pupils.

Frances E. Willard founded the World's W. C. T. U. in 1883. It is now organized in over fifty nations with a total membership of about half a million. Its last triennial convention was held in Boston, October 17–23, 1906.

The National W. C. T. U. is an incorporated society and receives bequests. Life memberships and memorial memberships of $25 each, and donations to the Frances E. Willard memorial organizing fund, are gratefully received. All money should be sent to the treasurer.

The Union Signal, $1 per year, is owned and published by the National W. C. T. U., Evanston, Ill. The Crusader Monthly, 25 cents per year, a paper for children and young people with special pages designed to aid public school teachers in scientific temperance instruction, is also owned and published by the National W. C. T. U., and forty state papers are published by as many state W. C. T. U. organizations.

President, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, Portland, Me.; *Vice-President at large*, Miss Anna A. Gordon, Evanston, Ill.; *Corresponding Secretary*, Mrs. Frances P. Parks, Evanston, Ill.; *Recording Secretary*, Mrs. Elizabeth P. Anderson, Valley City, N. Dak.; *Assistant Recording Secretary*, Mrs. Sara H. Hage, Lincoln, Va.; *Treasurer*, Mrs. Elizabeth P. Hutchinson, Evanston, Ill. The National Headquarters, known as "The Willard," are located in Evanston, Ill., under the same roof with Rest Cottage, formerly the home of Frances E. Willard.

Rates of Postage—Domestic

First Class.—Letters and all other written matter, sealed or unsealed, and all other matter sealed, nailed, sewed, tied, or fastened so that it cannot be easily examined, **two cents per ounce** or fraction thereof. A "Special Delivery" ten-cent stamp, in addition to the lawful postage, entitles to immediate delivery within one mile of any post office. Postal cards, one cent each; with paid reply, two cents.

Second Class.—All regular newspapers, magazines, and other periodicals issued at intervals not exceeding three months; the postage is **one cent for each four ounces,** payable by postage stamps.

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To Philippines, Guam, and *Porto Rico.*—Same rates as in the United States.

All mail for 150 Fifth Avenue, New York city, should be addressed "150 Fifth Avenue, P. O. Station O, New York city."

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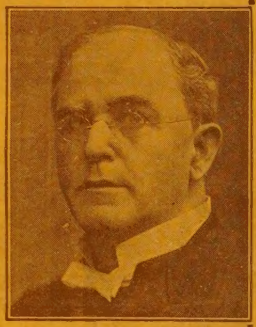

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